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THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), will despatch the S. S. AGRA, 1,967 Tons, 200 H. P., Commander H. A. Street, R.N., as above from Kurrachee on THURSDAY, the 3rd June, and Passengers can be booked from Bombay and all the Ports at which the Company's Steamers touch.

The Agra is fitted in the usual style of the Company's Vessels, and has excellent accommodation for 30 First-class Passengers and 18 Second-class.

The Vessel with Cargo and Passengers will leave Bombay on WEDNESDAY, the 26th instant, but Passengers leaving Bombay by the steamer of Monday, the 31st May, will be in time for her at Kurrachee.

For Freight or Passage apply to

W. NICOL & Co.,

Bombay, 13th May 1875. Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, every week.

The S. S. AVA, 2,650 Tons, 346 H. P., Commander J. Farrant, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 29th May, 1875, at noon.

Leaves BOMBAY	May 1875.	Leaves Madras	June 1875.
,, Carwar	29	,, Mooliapatam	12
,, Mangalore	June 1	,, Cocconada	13
,, Narrakel	2	,, Vizagapatam	14
,, Tuticorin	4	,, Bimlipatam	14
,, Colombo	5	,, Calcutta	15
,, Negapatam	8	,, False Point	16
,, Pondicherry	9	Arrives CALCUTTA	18

Cargo for Singapore and China can be booked by the Steamers on this line hence or from intermediate ports for transhipment at Galle to the Messageries Maritime Company's Steamers, which run regularly.

Also for Batavia, Sourabaya, Tjillatjap, Palembang, Pontiana, Atcheen, Padang and Molucca Islands, to go forward by the Steamers of the Netherlands and Netherlands India S. N. Company.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

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P.S.—Weather permitting, the Steamer will call at Mangalore, Cannanore, Tellicherry, Calicut, Beypore and Cochin.

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CONNECTIONS, &c., &c.

The S. S. CASHMERE, 1,082 Tons, 200 H. P., Commander R. L. Tombs, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd June 1875, at 4 P.M.

Leaves BOMBAY	June 1875.	Leaves BUSREH	June 1875.
,, Kurrachee	2	,, Mohomerah	21
,, Muscat	6	,, Fao	21
,, Bunder Abbas	11	,, Bushire	23
,, Linga	13	,, Lingah	27
,, Bahrein	14	,, Bunder Abbas	29
,, Bushire	15	,, Jask	30
,, Fao	17	July 1875.	
,, Mohomerah	17	,, Gwadur	2
Arrive BUSREH	19	,, Kurrachee	6
		Arrive BOMBAY	9

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, will, during the fair season, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every FRIDAY, at 4 P.M., and an Extra Steamer on every MONDAY, at 9 P.M.

The S.S. KURRACHEE, 510 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander R. J. Scott, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 31st May 1875, at 9 P.M.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

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STEAM TO GOA, CARWAR, COMPTA AND INTERMEDIATE PORTS.

ON WEDNESDAY, AT 4 P.M.

THE well-known and fast sailing Steamer PEARL, W. Ashton Commander, will leave for undermentioned ports on WEDNESDAY next, the 2nd June at 4 P.M., from the Apollo Bunder :—

Hurnee.	Vingorla.
Rutnagherry.	Goa (Panjim.)
Jeytapore.	Carwar.
Malwan.	Compta.

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ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co., GENOA.

THE REGULAR STEAMERS LEAVE GENOA, and BOMBAY on the 14th, on the 1st of each month.

PASSENGERS' RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
Aden	£23	£15	£4	Without food
Suez	36	22	6	
Port Said	38	24	8	
Messina	50	34	14	
Naples	50	34	14	
Leghorn	50	34	14	
Genoa	50	34	14	
Marseilles	52	35	14-10	

Children under 3 years, free of charge. Children not above 10 years, half fare.

NEXT STEAMERS FROM BOMBAY:—

BATAVIA, to sail on TUESDAY, 1st of June 1875.
VESUVIA, to sail on THURSDAY, 1st of July, 1875.
INDIA, to sail on SUNDAY, 1st August, 1875.
SUMATRA, to sail on WEDNESDAY, 1st September, 1875.
ARETUSA, to sail on FRIDAY, 1st October, 1875.
INDIA, to sail on MONDAY, 1st November, 1875.

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No. 9, Hummum Street.

Genoa, 1st January 1875.

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FOR LIVERPOOL, *via* SUEZ CANAL.

TO SAIL ON 10TH JUNE.

THE powerful steamer TRINACRIA, 2,07 Tons, 424 H. P. nominal, will be despatched for LIVERPOOL, on the 10th June next. The steamer carries a SURGEON and STEWARDESS, and has very superior accommodation for Forty first-class Passengers and good accommodation for Twenty-five Second-class Passengers.

	1st Class.	2nd Class.
Fare to Liverpool	Rs. 500	Rs. 300
Do Suez	,, 400	,, 200

The Trinacria will be followed by the Europa, 2,277 Tons 431 H. P., about 10th July, and other steamers at regular intervals.

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Bombay, 27th May 1875.

SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

THE following or other first-class Vessels will be despatched for EUROPE :

Vessel.	Captain.	Tons.	H.P.	
GEELONG	C. Fraser	1564	250	May. 31st—Suez, &c.
BOKHARA	W. D. Anderson	2903	450	June. 4th—Southampton.
CHINA	G. Brooke	2010	400	11th—Suez, &c.
LOMBARDY	E. M. Gibson	2723	450	18th—Southampton.
THEBAN	A. H. Johnson	2283	400	25th—Suez, &c. July.

AUSTRALIA ..J. Murray .. 3646 600 3rd—Southampton.

Passengers are booked to Malta, Gibraltar and Southampton by every Mail. The Southampton Steamers proceed to that port direct; but by the alternate steamers Passengers change vessels at Suez.

Passengers to Brindisi, Ancona, and Venice are carried by every Steamer, but proceed by rail from Suez to Alexandria.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon, on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 2 P.M. precisely on the day of sailing.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, May 24, 1875.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On Monday, the 31st May 1875, at 2 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. and O. Co.'s S. S. VENETIA, (2,720 tons, and 450 H.P.), Captain W. C. Ancott, will be despatched as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any sheet of opium, the officer's receipt for which is to be delivered to the Company's Office before noon, on Saturday, the 29th May 1875.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Superintendent.

Bombay, 17th May 1875.

STEAM TO KING GEORGE'S SOUND, ADELAIDE, MELBOURNE, AND SYDNEY.

On SATURDAY, the 29th May, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE Peninsular & Oriental Company's Steam-ship CEYLON, 2,111 Tons, and 450 H. P., Captain J. C. Almond, will be despatched as above calling at Galle.

For Freight or Passage apply to

GEORGE F. HENRY,

Superintendent.

3, Rampart Row, 24th May 1875.

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MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & CO.—On WEDNESDAY, the 2nd June 1875, at one P.M., Messrs. MEHRJEE JOHNSTON & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their sale room, No. 28, Apollo Street, a collection of valuable books on General Literature, History, Travels, medicine, Law, &c., &c.

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By Order of the Directors,

C. E. MITCHELL & CO.,

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DUMPY LEVEL, best manufacture, 10 inch, divided bubble, &c.	180 0
CIRCUMFERENTER, 5½ inch, with inclining dial, folding sights, &c.	135 0
Ditto ditto ditto and Cross Level.	150 0
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LEVELLING STAFFS, half round, telescopic, for hot climates, improved readings, especially arranged for India, by Colonel A. Strahan, R.E., &c.	40 0
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Best tensile-made, steel, hardened, tempered, and japanned, brass swivel handle, etc., 50 feet, Rs. 2-9-0; 66 feet Rs. 1-2-0; 100 feet	14 0
Ditto Machine-made, best iron, brass swivel handle, etc., 50 feet, Rs 7-0; 66 feet, Rs 9-8; 100 feet	11 0
MEASURING TAPES—	
Chesterman's Patent Metallic leather case, flush handles 33 feet, Rs. 4-8; 50 feet, Rs. 5-8; 66 fee., Rs 6-8; 100 feet	9 8
Chesterman's Patent Steel, broad 66 feet	25 8
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RULES—2 feet, 4 Fold, Ivory with Scales	16 0
1 foot 4 Fo'd, Boxwood	1 0
2 feet, 4 Fold Bradburn's bolted joint	2 0
SPIRIT LEVELS—	
6½ inch, brass, in case	7 0
6 inch mounted in Mahogany, thick top and bottom brass plates	5 8
12 inch Ditto ditto	9 0
18 inch, brass large round tube with adjusting screws, revolving in oak case	30 0
24 inch Ditto ditto	40 0
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Davis's, 12 inch, folding, Level and Inclinometer in case, with stand complete	75 0
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MATHEMATICAL INSTRUMENTS, sets from Rs. 16 to	80 0
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Improved Pocket Compass, points in sheath, divided six Scales	20 0
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Protractor, 6 inch, German Silver	15 0
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Ditto ,, Boxwood, Alderslot Pattern	3 0
Ditto Circular 8 inch diam, German Silver engine divided, in mahogany case	40 0
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Hewlett's Ivory Rolling, 12 inch	15 0
Marquois Scales, best Boxwood in case	9 0
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Ditto ditto Brass divided Edge, 15 inch	16 0
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Last night of the much admired Sketch of "THE PARSEE IN SEARCH OF HIS WEE WIFE."

REDUCTION OF PRICES.

Family Ticket, Reserved, to admit 4	Rs.	7
Ditto Unreserved, to admit 4	,,	5
Single Reserved Ticket	,,	2
Ditto Unreserved	,,	1-8

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CHILDREN AND SCHOOLS, HALF PRICE.

SOME BEAUTIFUL PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN AWAY THIS EVENING.

Tickets may be had of Messrs. S. ROSE & Co., Bombay Musical Depot, 10, Meadows Street.

LOST OR STOLEN, ONE SHARE OF ALLIANCE SPINNING AND WEAVING Co., (Limited). —A REWARD of Rs. 50 will be given to any one who may bring the above certificate, No. 478, standing in my name.

PUNJUMCHUND MANOCKCHUND,

Vittalwaddy, May 27, 1875

INDIAN PRESS COMPANY (Limited).—With reference to the SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS passed at the EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING held on the 15th day of December, 1874, we hereby give notice that CERTIFICATES for SHARES in this Company are now READY for DISTRIBUTION.

Four Shares in the Indian Press Company (Limited) will be given in exchange for each Share of Rupees 2,000 in the Bombay Press Company (Limited) (now in liquidation), and one Share in the Indian Press Company will be given in exchange for each Share of Rupees 500 in the said Bombay Press Company (Limited).

Every Shareholder will be required to DELIVER UP to be CANCELLED the CERTIFICATES for ALL SHARES held by him in the Bombay Press Company (Limited), and also to sign the Memorandum and Articles of the Indian Press Company (Limited) as a condition precedent to the delivery to him of the Certificates for the Shares to which he is entitled in the last named Company.

GADDUM & CO.,

Secretaries and Treasurers.

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.—A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the MUNICIPAL CORPORATION of BOMBAY will be held in the Municipal Offices on SATURDAY, the 12th June, 1875, at 3 P.M., for the consideration the following business :—

1. To vote an address to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, K. G., on the occasion of his visit to Bombay next cold season, and next to a resolution to the Sheriff of Bombay, requesting him to convene a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the City for the consideration of the best means of providing for the fitting reception of His Royal Highness.

2. To consider a Resolution of the Town Council recommending the establishment of a Pension Fund for servants and officers of the Municipality and the adoption of Rules for the management of the same.

3. Minutes of the Committee appointed to prepare and forward a Memorial to the Secretary of State for India on the subject of the restoration to the Municipality of the State Grant towards the cost of the Police. Also letter from the Acting Secretary to Government (General Department), stating that the Memorial has been forwarded to the Government of India by transmission to the Secretary of State.

4. Letter from Messrs Pedder and Jacomb to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, No. 276, dated 17th May, 1875, stating that they respectively delivered over and received charge of the Office of Municipal Commissioner on that day.

5. Sanction to the sale to Kazi Shereff Abdool Hafiz Saheb Sunday for 11·80 square yards of ground situate and lying between Erskine Road and Bora Street.

6. Letters from Mr. J. Gostling, F.R.I.B.A., to the Municipal Commissioner, containing suggestions for a comprehensive system of Hill-to-ground Water Supply from Tooleem and Vehar Lakes. Also further letters requesting that the Corporation will direct that these proposals be sent on to Government for consideration along with those of Mr. Pedder.

H. WYNFORD BARROW,

Clerk Municipal Corporation, and Secretary Town Council.

By Order of the Chairman,

J. A. FORBES, Esq.

Municipal Office, Bombay, May 27, 1875.

NEW PLAN BY THE ORIENTAL GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, For the SAFE Assurance of European and Native Lives in India at ENGLISH RATES, with 80 per cent. Invested Solely for Policy Holders.

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From no other Office can greater Security and such Benefits be obtained.

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D. McLAUCHLAN SLATER,

Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries,

Manager and Actuary.

9, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay.

SPECIAL SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS.

BOMBAY UNION CRICKET CLUB.—MEMBERS elected to take part in the MATCH TODAY are requested to be on the GROUND at 10-30 SHARP.

A GENTLEMAN wishes to JOIN a FAMILY as BOARDER, either in Colaba or Malabar Hill. Address stating terms and all particulars to "A. B." *Bombay Gazette.*

WANTED, a Horizontal High-pressure ENGINE, 15 to 20 Horse Power. Apply to Messrs. GADDUM & Co.

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A QUANTITY of PRESERVED SUGAR, in good condition, will be SOLD by AUCTION at the Commissariat Stores at 12 Noon on the 29th instant. Terms Cash.

THE INDIAN READY RECKONER, Rs. 1-12; by Post, Rs. 2. Treacher & Co., Bombay and Poona, or the compiler, ALEX. MOORHOUSE, B. B. & C. I. R.

FRAUD.

On the 27th June, 1868, MOTEEWALLAH, a Printer, was convicted at the Supreme Court, Calcutta, of counterfeiting the

LABELS

Of Messrs. CROSSE and BLACKWELL,

London, and was sentenced by Mr. Justice Phear to

TWO YEARS' RIGOROUS IMPRISONMENT;

And on the 30th of the same month, for

SELLING SPURIOUS ARTICLES

Bearing Labels in imitation of Messrs. CROSSE and BLACKWELL, Shaik Bacroo was sentenced, by the Suburban Magistrate at Sealdah, to

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News Ink, 8d., 10d., 1s., 1s. 3d., and 1s. 6d. per lb.

Bookwork Ink, 1s., 1s. 6d., 2s., and 2s. 6d. per lb.

Superior Bookwork Ink, 3s. and 4s. per lb.

Woodcut Ink, 3s. and 7s. 6d. per lb.

Red, Blue, Green, and other colours, 2s., 3s., 4s., 5s., 7s. 6d., and 10s. per lb.

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PARSONS, FLETCHER, & Co.,

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WINES, SPIRITS BEER, &c.,

AUSTRALIAN WINES.

THE Undersigned have received a Consignment of the following first-class WINES from the "St. Hubert's" Vineyard.

HERMITAGE (Red)	Quarts Rs. 16 ; Pints Rs. 9 per doz.	
CHASSELAS (White)		

GRINDLAY, GROOM & Co.

Bombay, 30th April 1875.

PRICE LIST of WINES, &c., for SALE at the GODOWNS of the Undersigned :—

CLARETS—Chateau de Fraude	...	...	Rs. 14	per doz. qts
Very Canon	...	...	16	,, ,,
Chateau Leoville	...	...	22	,, ,,
Chateau Ladite	...	...	26	,, ,,
STILL HOCKS—Laubenheimer	...	...	15	,, ,,
Liebfraumilch	...	...	30	,, ,,
Marcobrunner	...	...	35	,, ,,
CHAMPAGNE—Carte Blanche, at Rs. 25 per 1 doz. qts.				
Ditto			,, 26 per case of 2 doz. pts.	

Just Landed,

IND COOPER & Co.'s BEER, R.-3-4 per dozen quarts.
Do. do. ,, 3-4 ,, pints.

VOLKART BROTHERS,

Rampart Row.

WHITE FRENCH WINES.

(Suitable for the Hot Season.)

Cash Prices.	Qts. per doz. Rs. a.
BARSAC	18 0
HAUT SAUTERNE	22 0
SUPERIOR SAUTERNE.	30 0
CHABLIS	16 0

TREACHER & Co., LIMITED,

BOMBAY, BYCULLA, AND POONA.

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WINE MERCHANTS.

CHAMPAGNES.

	Cash Prices. Per Dozen. Qts.	Pts.
TREACHER & Co.'s Finest Creaming, extra Dry	Rs. 42 0	Rs. 23 0
TREACHER & Co.'s per Hamper of 24 half pints	24 0	0 0
F. GIESLER & Co.'s "for India" brand	42 0	23 0
PERRIER JOUET & Co.'s Finest Dry	42 0	23 0
FINE SPARKLING	30 0	,,

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TREACHER & Co., LIMITED,

WINE MERCHANTS.

CLARETS.

		Cash Prices Per dozen. Quarts.	Pints.
BORDEAUX	{ Excellent Cup or	12	7 0
PETIT MEDOC	{ Breakfast Wines	12	9 0
MEDOC, Superior		15	9 0
SAINT JULIEN, good Dinner Wine		20	,,
CHATEAU LA ROSE	{ Superior after	25	14 0
CHATEAU MARGAUX	{ dinner Wines	30	16 0

SAUTERNES.

HAUT SAUTERNES, very rich and fine	Rs. 36	0	,,
SAUTERNES, delicate flavour	22	0	,,
BARSAC, light table Wine	18	0	,,

BURGUNDIES.

CHAMBERTIN	Rs. 28	0	15 0
POMMARD	24	0	13 0
MACON	20	0	12 0
BEAUNE	18	0	10 0
CHABLIS	16	0	,,

SPARKLING BURGUNDIES.

SPARKLING BURGUNDY, Red, a rich fruity Wine	36	0	20 0
SPARKLING BURGUNDY, White do.	36	0	20 0

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NOTICES.

THE HIGHEST-CLASS MEDAL AWARDED at the Vienna Universal Exhibition for ADAMS'S C.F. BREECH LOADING REVOLVERS, an exclusively adopted by H.M. War Department, The New Zealand and New South Wales Governments, &c. Reprints of special Articles from the "Times," and other leading Journals, on competitive trial, of this Revolver, with Price Lists, can be obtained on application to the Manufacturers, ADAMS'S PATENT SMALL ARMS COMPANY, Limited, 391, Strand, London, W.C. (the only address).

Breech-loading Guns, Rifles, with all necessary appurtenances.

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"By a thorough knowledge of the natural laws which govern the operation of digestion and nutrition, and by a careful application of the fine properties of well-selected Cocoa, Mr. Epps has provided our breakfast tables with a delicately flavoured beverage which may save us many heavy doctor's bills. It is by the judicious use of such articles of diet that a constitution may be gradually built up until strong enough to resist every tendency to disease. Hundreds of subtle maladies are floating around us ready to attack wherever there is a weak point. We may escape many a fatal shaft by keeping ourselves well-fortified with pure blood and a properly nourished frame."—*Civil Service Gazette.*

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Made simply with boiling water or milk.

and only in ½-lb. and 1-lb. tins, labelled thus :—

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48, Threadneedle Street, and 170, Piccadilly.

Works—Euston Road and Camden Town.

Makers of Epps's Milky Cocoa (Cocoa and Condensed Milk.

WHEELER AND WILSON'S GENUINE SEWING-MACHINES.

THE HIGHEST HONOURS

CONFERRED AT THE VIENNA EXHIBITION OF 1873.

THE following description of Machines always on hand for sale with spare Needles and other Accessories at the Office of the Undersigned.

All Machines warranted. Orders from Up-country promptly executed when accompanied with Remittances or Reference for Payment. Each Machine accompanied with a book of reference. Instruction to purchasers gratis.

No. 1 Machine, Polished Mahogany or Walnut Table	Rs.	105
No. 1 Machine, Mahogany or Walnut Quarter Cases	,,	112
No. 2 Machine, on Polished Table	,,	93
No. 3 Machine, on Polished Table	,,	90
No. 2 Machine, in Unpolished Walnut, Half Case	,,	130
No. 2 Machine, in Polished Mahogany or Walnut, do.	,,	135
No. 1 Machine, in Unpolished Walnuts, do.	,,	135
No. 1 Machine, in Polished Mahogany or Walnut, do.	,,	140
No. 1 Machine, in Full Case, Mahogany or Walnut Polished	,,	165
No. 6 Machine, for heav

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

FRIDAY EVENING, 28TH MAY, 1875.

MARKETS closed for the holidays.

BANKS.

No. of Shares	Nominal value peh.	Paid up.	Last dividend		Cash Rates p Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
100,000	100	all	5 p.ct.	Agra Bank	24
12,000	1,000	all	71 p.ct.	Bank of Bengal	1,420
20,000	500	all	65 p.ct.	Do of Bombay New	735
5,525	1,000	all	6 p.ct.	Do of Madras	1,200
20,000	250	all	4 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk. of L. & China	275
40,000	2621	all	Nil	Mcng. & Shanghai Bank	12 prem
40,000	200	all	5 pct.	Chartered Bank of India & China	161
40,000	250	125	5 p.ct.	National Bank of Indic.	103
60,000	250	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	500

PRESS COMPANIES.

1817	5,000	2,250	100 p.c.	Akbar Cotton Press Co	1,550
200	2 000	1,100	50 do.	Albert Co. Kurrachee	700
200	50	all	18 p.ct.	Albert Ginning Co.	630
250	1,000	200.00	...	Alfred Mills Co	1,100
138	2,000	11,000	200 p.c.	Apollo Press Co.	3,800
226	1,000	all	...	Bellasy	635
155	500	all	60 p.c.	Benar Company (New)	570
200	2,000	all	200 p.c.	Bombay Press Co.	1,300
200	500	all	50 p.c.	Do New	300
1,616	250	all	64 p.c.	Broach Cotton Co	140
630	1,000	all	27 p.c.	Carwar Company	850
230	250	all	...	Cocanada Press Co.	130
500	1,000	all	175 p.c.	Colaba Press Co.	3,500
200	200	all	Nil	Dhollera F. & G. Co.	200
200	1,000	all	...	East India Press Co.	1,125
100	2,500	all	200	Fort Press Co.	2,550
200	2,000	2,000	15 p.c.	Framji Cowasji Press Co	3 0
200	500	all	100 p.c.	French Press Co	400
1150	...	1,400	100 p.c.	Imperial Press Co.	400
3125	400	80	40 p.c.	Mofussil Press & G. Co.	140
600	2,000	5000	...	Nicol Press Manuf Co. Ltd	1,500
190	...	1,500	250 p.c.	Princes of Wales Press	1,100
200	500	all	100 p.c.	Ramoon Press Co.	565
400	250	125	125 p.c.	Scinde Press Co.	565
100	1,000	125	...	Scinde and Punjab Cotton Press Co., Limited	800
150	250	all	12 p.c.	Vic. Col. Gin & Press Co.	1,000
450	1,000	...	100 p.c.	Volkart's United Press Co.	900

* Per share for the half year.

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	3,000	all	6p.	Colaba Land Co.	1,220
7,500	150	all	...	Frere Land & Pier Co. Ld.	117
1,750	2,000	2,000	20 p.c.	Mazagon Land	725
5,000	1,400	all	15 p.c.	Port Canning Land Company, Limited	240

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

.....	£	219	3 p.c.	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	265
.....	£20	103	14 d.	do.	
.....	£27	65	7 3 do.	Do. New 250 Shares Ditto	126 72
.....	£9	21	12 1 do.	Ditto	32
.....	£	1,000	do.	S. B. & C. I. Railway Co	1,100
.....	$	100	15 do.	Do. New 415 Shares	220

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

600	1,250	all	100 p.c.	Alexandra Spinning	1,225
500	5,500	all	200 p.c.	Alliance Spinning	2,300
200	2,000	870	...	Bhowanigur M. & P. Co	1,700
200	1,000	all	150	Bombay United	1,095
3474	150	150	10 p.c.	Broach Mills	180
900	1,000	750	...	Colaba Spinning	840
2,500	2,000	all	100 p.c.	Dharamsee Spinning	1,240
1,500	1,250	all	100 p.c.	Fleming S. & W. Co	1 035
1,000	1,000	all	100 p.c.	Great Eastern	1,120
700	1,000	all	60 p.c.	Hindustan S. & W. Co.	1,010
750	1,000	all	100 p.c.	Jowraj Salloo Mills	1,115
.....	...	900	...	Khandesh Spinning	1,140
500	1,250	all	Nil	Madras Spinning	950
.....	...	500	...	Madras U. Spinning	925
2,500	1,000	all	70	Manockji Petit's	1,120
1,250	1,000	all	100 p.c.	Monarjee Spinning	1,140
4,000	625	all	50 p.c.	Oriental	675
600	1,250	250	...	Prince of Wales Spinning	650
110	1,000	1,000	200 p.c.	Sonderdas Spinning	1,105
500	1,000	250	31 p.c.	Do. do. do. 1/4 share	276

* Per share for the half-year.

MISCELLANEOUS.

1,000	12,500	1,500	240 p.c.	Bombay Burmah Trading Corporat	1,550
1,000	50	all	45 p.c.	Bomb y Gas Company	65
50	500	300	27 p.c.	Landing and Shipping Co. of Kurrachee Ld.	120
2,150	200	100	8 p.c.	Malabar Company Ld.	100
4,000	50	all	4 p.	Mechanics' Build'g Co.	18
1,000	60	all	20 pa.	Preacher & Co	750 xd
.....	50	all	40 pa.	Vingue Patent Slip Co.	25

BANKS IN LIQUIDATION.

		Date L'dation		
.....	20	19	...	Bank of China
.....			...	Eas India Bank

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

Statement of Traffic, for week ending 22nd May 1875.

	Open, 1,278½ Miles.	Rs.	a.	p.
Coaching		79,099	4	0
Merchandize		2,31,628	0	0
Electric Telegraph		698	0	0
Municipal Trains		697	8	0
	Total Rs.	4,12,567	12	0
Corresponding week last year, open 1,278½ miles	Total Rs.	4,28,481	12	6
	Decrease Rs ..	15,914	0	6

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE BARQUE LUIGI ACCAMI, 996 tons, Captain A. Repetto, will sail to-day in ballast for Rangoon.

THE SHIP CENTURION, 1,193 tons Captain W. Widdicombe, will sail to-day for Liverpool, with a cargo 3,419 bales cotton, and 5,566 cwts myrabollams.

THE BARQUE NEWCASTLE, 468 tons, Captain C. Anderson, arrived in harbour yesterday from Mauritius (April 17th), with a cargo of 10,111 bags sugar, and twelve deck passengers. The vessel is consigned to Messrs. Finlay Muir & Co,

THE B.I. s.s. Co's S.S. AVA 1,708 tons, Captain J. Paterson, will sail to-day for Coast and Calcutta with a general cargo and the following passengers. For Cannanore—Lieut. and Mrs Quayle. For Cochin—Five deck passengers.

THE s. s. OSBORN, 162 tons, Captain G. J. Baker, arrived in harbour yesterday from Coast and Carwar with a cargo of cotton, and two hundred and forty-eight deck passengers. She sailed yesterday for same ports with a general cargo and twenty-six deck passengers.

THE B. I. S. N. Co's s. s. KURRACHEE, 346 tons, Captain R. G. Scott, which arrived in harbour on the 27th instant from Kattywar Coast and Kurrachee (May 21st), brought a general cargo and the following passengers:—Mr. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Mulkeen and four children, and one hundred and sixty seven deck passengers.

THE B. I. N. Co's s. s. INDIA, 636 tons, Captain G. Henderson, sailed yesterday for Persian Gulf via Kurrachee, with a general cargo and the following passengers—For Kurrachee—Mr. T. Pont, Mrs. Cole, two Misses Cole, Mr. W. Long, Mrs. Kennedy, and three children, Mrs. Fox and three children, and one constable. For different ports one hundred and ten deck passengers.

THE P. AND O. Co's s. s. CEYLON, 1,140 tons, Captain J. C. Almond, will sail to-day for Australia &c., with the Australian Mails, general cargo and the following passengers:—For Melbourne.—Captain E. J. Stead, Miss Baddie, Mr. G. Mann, Miss Ballantine, Mr. Christopher, Mr Elliott, and Mr. H. Rattray. For Sydney.—Cond. Mulker, Private Lamb, and Lieut. Col. Crowe.

ARRIVALS.

May.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
27	Mahi	Nanoda	Cochin, May 13.
28	Osrun (s)	Baker	Carwar, May 25.
	Newcastle	Anderson	Mauritius, Apr 17.

DEPARTURES.

May.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
28	Stowel Brown	Anderson	Liverpool.
	India (s)	Henderson	P. Gulf via Kurrachee.
	Osrun	Baker.	Coast & Carwar.

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday:—
Steamer Ceylon, Almond, to Australia &c.
Steamer Arthur, Mitchell, to Liverpool.
Ship Centurion, Widdicombe, to Liverpool.
Barque Luigi Accami, Repetto, to Rangoon.
Steamer Ava, Rodgeson, to Coast and Calcutta.

The following vessels were entered out for loading yesterday:—
Steamer Kurrachee, to Kurrachee.
Steamer Cashmere, to P. Gulf via Kurrachee.
Schooner Reilly, to Tuticorin.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

May.			
24	Meinam (s)	Moreau	Galle, May 18.
	City of Bottle	Young	Liverpool, Feby 20.
	Caroline	Lucas	Masulipatam, May 15.

DEPARTURES.

May.			
24	Prince Rudolph	.....	.....
	Brendalbane	.....	.....

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

May.		
23	Asia (s)	Calcutta.
	Pembrokeshire	Shields.
	Australia (s)	Suez, Aden and Galle.

DEPARTURES.

May.		
24	Baghdad (s)	Rangoon.
	Asia (s)	Bombay.

DAILY EXPORTS—MAY 29.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Grampian, 100 bales cotton, Gaddum & Co.
Rissi Atholl, 150 bales cotton, W and A Graham & Co.
Barcaswy, 200 bales cotton, W Nicol & Co.
City of Richmond, 61 bales cotton, Jairam Dayall; 250 bales cotton, Knoop & Co.
Dreadnought, 100 bales cotton, Pestonjee Pajonjee.
Sidebotham, 200 bales cotton, Wallace & Co.
Cameria, 200 bales cotton, W and A Graham & Co.
Ashgrove, 175 cwts coir yarn, Manjee Khatoow.
Thermopylæ, 250 bales cotton, Ewart Latham & Co.
Trinacria s, 101 bales wool, Nurse Khatoow.
Palestine s, 198 bales cotton, and 1,760 cwts hemp, Muthoosdass Nathoo; 200 bales cotton, Gaddum & Co; 100 bales cotton, Callianjee Pitamber; 1 bale wool and 50 bales cotton, Dorjee Premjee; 54 bales cotton, Dayal Ruttonsey; 205 bales cotton, Kewul Latham & Co; 26 bales wool, 3 16 M Co; 1,750 cwts hemp, Muthoosdass Nathoo; 200 bales cotton, Kessowjee Jadowjee; 150 bales cotton, Campbell Mitchell & Co; 53 chest's opium, Khatoowdass Hemmookjee; 52 bales wool, Dorjee Bhanjee & Co; 120 bales cotton, Muthoo Soondurjee; 20 bales cotton, S L Macnaghten; 250 cwts hemp, Muthoosdass Nathoo; 100 cwts coir thres, Kessowjee Ookaj.
Bellona s, 10 bales wool, Khatoomal Tulsaram; 27 bales wool, J Premjee; 75 bales cotton, Rassonbhoy Thawre & Co; 22 bales cotton, Purseotum Tuljee.
Bienheim s, 107 bales cotton, Madon Koorpall & Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

West Stanley s, 350 bales cotton, 5,959 cwts gingelly seed, and 4,017 cwts linseed, Ralli Brothers.

FOR HONGKONG.

Venetia s, 20 packages red rain, L Vundravandass & Co; 9 chests opium, Cursetjee Bomanjee & Co; 15 chests opium, E J Abram; 10 chests opium, N J Abram; 11 chests opium, Ebram Nicordin & Co; 34 chests opium, E D Sassoon; 146 opium, David Sassoon & Co; 21 chests opium, Bandass Khimjee & Co; 31 chests opium, S N Talatee; 61 chests opium, Tata & Co; 20 chests opium, Nurses Kessowjee; 11 packages beerabole and 34 packages byrabole, Treecomjee Hamraz.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Venetia s, 26 chests opium, Cursetjee Bomanjee & Co; 24 chests opium, Ganeshdass Cobhagmal; 54 chests opium, Cheneram Jaisdrai; 5 chests opium, Banodeeram Balchand; 683 chests opium, David Sassoon & Co; 12 chests opium, Framjee Hormunjee & Co; 6 chest's opium, Gunesbdass Chajooram.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVAL.—MAY 27.

Lenton, Quarter-Master, Bengal 62nd Regt., on sick leave, to England, from Calcutta.

DEPARTURES—MAY 27.

Hough, Major-Genl., Bombay Staff Corps, on leave, to Baroda.
Lyster, Lieut, Bombay Staff Corps, on leave, from Rajcote.

MADRAS GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(Fort St. George Gazette, May 25.)

The undermentioned Officers have obtained leave of absence from their stations:—

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Mr J A Davies, Head Asst to the Collr and Mag of Bellary, privilege leave for three months, from 14th June next, under Section 21 of the Civil Leave Code.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Capt Cosmo Gordon, Supt of Police, Trichinopoly, subsidiary leave for thirty days.
The privilege leave granted to Mr E C G Thomas, Dist and Session Judge of Vizagapatam, in the *Fort St George Gazette* of the 4th inst, will have effect from the 24th July 1875, instead of from the 10th idem as notified.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Mr W M Monteserrat, Asst Engr, 1st grade, fifteen days' privilege leave from or after the 20th inst, under Section 12 Supplement F, of the Civil leave Code.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.

The privilege leave for three months granted in the *Gazette* of 23rd April 1875 to the Revd J B Sayers Ld. D Garrison Chaplain of Fort St. George will have effect from the 5th May instead of from or after the 14th May 1875 as notified.
The Reverend W S Trotman M A, Chaplain of Coonoor subsidiary leave not exceeding thirty days to join his appointment.
The Govr in Council has been pleased to make the following appointments:—
Mr Henry Sullivan Thomas to be Collr and Mag of the Dist of Kurnool but to continue to act as Collr and Mag of Tanjore during the employment of the Hon D Arbuthnott on other duty or until further orders.
Mr Alexander McCallum Webster to be Collr and Mag of the Dist of South Canara.
Mr William Shrubsole Foster, to be Coll and Mag of the Godavery Dist.
Mr James Frederick Smith to be Sub-Collr and Joint Mag of the Dist of Bellary.
Mr John Browning Spedding, to be Head Asst to the Collr and Mag of Bellary.
The above appointments to take effect from the 8th April 1875, the date of Mr. Chase's retirement from the service.
Mr Atholl Macgregor to act as Secy to Govt in the Revenue Dept as a temporary arrangement.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr Clement Simpson to be Sheriff of Madras for the current year.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr Leonad Robert Burrows to act as President of the Municipal Commission, Madras, during the absence of Mr Loch on leave, or until further orders.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

The Hon D Arbuthnott, Actg First Member of the Board of Revenue, assumed his seat on the forenoon of the 10th inst.
Mr W D Hensley, Collr and Mag of Cuddapah, delivered over charge of the Dist to Mr J D B Gribble, the Acting Sub-Collr, on the afternoon of the 13th inst.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

Maj S W B Sherman, B itish Consular Agent at Pondicherry, assumed charge of the office from the Collr of South Arcot on the forenoon of the 14th inst.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Lt-Col J Mullins R. E, assumed charge of the office of the Chief Engr and Secry in the P W Dept on the forenoon of the 14th inst.
Maj J O Haste'l, R E, assumed charge of the office of Chief Engr for Irrigation and Joint Secy to Govt in the P W Dept on the forenoon of the 14th inst.
The services of Lt J E Portous, Asst Supt of Police, Malabar, are replaced at the disposal of the Military Dept for foreign service.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

The services of Surgn-Maj Colvin Smith, M D, Surgn, 2nd Dist Presidency, are replaced at the disposal of the Military Dept for Military employ.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

The undermentioned Officers are permitted to proceed to Europe:—
Lt-Col F G Rideout, of the Infantry, Wing Officer 27th Regt N I, on furlough on urgent private affairs, for six months, under Rule XI of the Regulations of 1868, and to embark from Bombay.
Maj D W Williams, Cadre 48 h Regt N I, on furlough on private affairs, for two years, under the Regulations of 1868, and to embark from Madras or Bombay.
Surgn W Price, in Medical charge 10th Regt N I, on furlough on urgent private affairs, for six months, under Rule XI of the Regulations of 1868, and to embark from Bombay.
The undermentioned Officer is permitted to proceed to Europe:—
Col F P L O'Connell, Royal (Madras) Engrs, O'g Joint Secy to Govt, P W Dept, Irrigation Branch, Punjab, on furlough on private affairs for two years, under the Regulations of 1868, and to embark from Bombay.
The following promotions are made, subject to H M's approval:—
Infantry—Maj Robert Henry Conliffe (S C), to be Lt-Col. and Capt Henry St Maur Wyn h (Maj in S C,) 31st R gt N I to be Maj, from 1st April 1875, vice Tripe, retir.d.
Infantry—Maj Albert Joseph Howes, to be Lt-Col, from 1st April 1875, vice Conliffe, promoted and removed.
Infantry—Maj Frederick James Hicks (S C), to be Lt-Col. and Capt Richard Fraser Litchfield (S C), 3rd Regt L I, to be Maj, from 10th May 1875, vice Barber, retired.
Inf antry—Maj Fredrick Dormer Flowden, to be Lt-Col, from 10th May 1875, vice Hicks, promoted and removed.
With reference to the notification of this date in the Public Dept, the services of Surgn-Maj Colvin Smith, M D, are replaced at the disposal of H M the C-in-C.
With reference to the notification of this date in the Judicial Dept the services of Lt J E Portcous of the S Care replaced at the disposal of H M the Com-in C.
The Offg Chief Secy to Govt has granted Mr E Keys, Supt of the Govt Press, privilege leave for three months, under Section 12, Supplement F, of the Civil Leave Code.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Mr L C D'Cruz, 2nd unc rtounted Asst, Revenue Secret ariat one month's privilege leave from the 17th inst.
Maj W S Hunt, Offg Examiner, Ordnance Accounts, is granted sixty days' privilege leave from the 1st to the 30th date of departure.
Capt C J Durand, Officer in charge of Account Branch, Controller's Office, will perform the duties of Examiner, Ordnance Accounts, without prejudice to his own, during the absence of Maj W S Hunt.
Under authority conveyed in G O G No 77, date 24th March 1857, the Inspr-Genl of Ordnance and Marazines grants privilege leave of absence to Lt-Col E W Childers, R A, Superintendent Gun Carriage Factory, for sixty days from 27th May 1875 or date of d parture Col N G Campbell, R A, Supt, Gun Carriage Factory, will conduct the duties of the Supt, Gunpowder Factory, during the absence and on the responsibility of Lt-Col Childers, R A.
The Surgeon Gen, Indian Medical Dept has granted to Native Surg P S Mootoosawmy Moodaliar, the Civil Dispensary, Masulipatam, privilege leave for two months, from the 15th May 1875, or from date of departure.
The Acct Genl has granted Mr W Long, Supt, Treasury, Account Dept of the office, sick leave from 18th May to 31st Oct 1875.
The Comy-Genl has, under the provision of G O G, No 77 dated 24th March 1857 granted privilege leave of absence to Conductor E Prichard for sixty days from 21st May 1875 to visit Bangalore.
Mr W Beaumont, Depy Supt of No 5 North Arcot Survey Party, has been granted privilege leave of absence for two months, under Section 12 of the Rules, from the date of availing himself of it.
Mr J H Wright, 1st Asst Supt of No 2, Bellary Survey Party, has been granted privilege leave of absence for two months, under Section 12 of the Rules, from the date of availing himself of it.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Conductor W Jack, Supervisor, 2nd grade, Godavery Dist, sick leave of absence up to absence up to 31st July next.
Privilege leave of absence has been granted to Mr Thomas Kenny, Inspr of Police, Malabar Dist, for one month, under Section 12, Supplement F, of the Civil Leave Code.

POSTAL NOTICES.

DEPARTURE OF OCEAN MAILS.

	Date.	Mail. closes.	After packet
United Kingdom	May 31	6-30 P.M.	7 P.M
Kurrachee	,, 31	11 A.M.	12 A.M
ersian Gulf via Kurrachee	,, 28	11 A.M.	12 A.M
Australian	,, 29	3-30 P.M.	No after packet.
China	,, 31	3-30 P.M.	
Mauritius and Reunion	June 4	6-30 P.M.	7 P.M.
Zanzibar, &c.	,, 4	6-30 P.M.	7 P.M.

OVERLAND MAIL.

In supersession of this Office Notice, dated the 28th September last, it is notified that as on and after the 4th June next till further notice, the Overland Mail Steamers of the P. and O. S. N. Company will leave Bombay every Friday soon after 5 p.m., the following revised arrangements in the hours for closing Mails will come into operation from the same date:—
Letters will be received at the General Post Office up to 3-30 p.m.
Newspapers, Books, and Patterns up to 4-30 p.m.
Registered Letters up to 1 p.m.
Registered Letters, if fully prepaid together with an extra fee of 2 annas, will be received at the General Post Office between 1 and 3 p.m.
Late letters, if fully pre-paid by means of stamps in respect both of postage and of the *late letter fee* (4 annas each), will be received at the Wellington Pier Post Office from 3-30 to 4 30 P. M.
The latest hour for posting ordinary Overland Covers at the several Branch Post Offices, will be 2-30 P. M., and registered at 1 P. M.
Fully pre-paid letters will be received on board the Overland Mail Steamers after 3 P. M., and up to a tarting time (5 P. M.) by the payment of an additional fee of 8 annas. All others will be refused."
The Overland Mail Steamers will leave Bombay as under:—

	7 P.M.		7 P.M.
Monday	May 31	Friday	June 11
Friday	June 4	Friday	June 18

POSTAGE BY THE BRINDISI ROUTE.

The Postage rates chargeable on Correspondence forwarded via Brindisi, to the United Kingdom, or places served through the United Kingdom, are as follows:—
For the United Kingdom.
Each Letter per ½ ounce—annas 8.
Each Newspaper per 4 ounces—annas 2.
Each Book or Pattern Packet not exceeding one ounce—1 anna and 4 pies; not exceeding 2 ounces—annas 2, 8 pies; not exceeding 4 ounces—annas 4, 8 pies; every additional 4 ounces—annas 4 8 pies.
The full prepayment of Correspondence forwarded via Brindisi optional, and all covers not fully prepaid will, unless specially marked by the senders for transmission by any other route and conformations conditions, be forwarded via Southampton.
The postage chargeable on letters sent to the countries tioned below *through Trieste* is as follows:—

	Present Rates per ½ oz. Annas Pies.	Revised Rate per ½ oz. Annas Pie
Austria, Luxemburg German States, Austrian Post Offices in Turkey	8 8	8 0
Belgium, Denmark, Netherlands, Switzerland, Moldavia, Wallachia, Servia	9 4	9 0

CHINA MAILS.

Ceylon and Australian Mail Steamers will leave Bombay as follows:—

4 P.M.		4 P.M.
Monday ..... May 31	Monday	June 28
,, ... June 14	,, ...	July 12

AUSTRALIAN MAILS.

Saturday ..... May 29. Saturday ..... June 26
In accordance with the above, Mails for Ceylon, Penang, Singapore, Hongkong, and the Australian Colonies will be closed at the General Post Office at 3 P.M.
Registered Letters will be received until 1 P.M. on the above dates.

MAURITIUS AND REUNION.

Regular Mails. *Supplemental Mails.*

Friday ..... June	4	Friday ..... June	11
,, ... July	2	,, ... July	9

The dates of departure from Bombay of the Supplemental Mails for Mauritius and Reunion are in consonance with the Time Table of the Messageries Maritimes Company; but as the French Mail Steamers occasionally leave Aden for the Mauritius before the arrival of the Bombay Overland Mail Steamers, the Indian Postal Department will not be responsible for any delay which the correspondence forwarded by that opportunity may sustain at Aden.

ZANZIBAR, NATAL, MOZAMBIQUE, DELAGOA AND TABLE BAY.

	P.M.		P.M.
Friday ..... June	4	Friday ..... July	30
,, ... July	2	,, ... Aug.	27

POSTAGE ON LETTERS FOR ZANZIBAR.

Under a Treasury Warrant received from Her Majesty's Post Master General, the postage on letters for Zanzibar forwarded via Bombay to Aden by the Mail Steamers of the P. and O. S. N. Company, and thence by the B. I. S. N. Company's Vessels, is increased from 4 annas to 8 annas per half ounce.
1. Prepayment in full by this route is compulsory.
2. Letters forwarded by this route and by the continuation of the line to Mozambique, Delagoa Bay, Natal, and the Cape of Good Hope will also be subject to an increase from 4 anna to 8 annas per half ounce.
4. Prepayment in full by this route is compulsory.
5. Letters forwarded by this route can be registered not for Natal and the Cape of Good Hope, the registration fee being annas per cover.

MAILS FOR KURRACHEE.

The B. I. S. N. Company's Contract Steamers will be despatched from Bombay to Kurrachee twice in a week, viz., on every Monday and Friday. On and after 2nd June until further notice these mails will leave every Wednesday and Saturday.

PERSIAN GULF MAILS.

The Mail Service by the Contract Steamers of the British India Steam Navigation Company between Bombay and the Persian Gulf is now weekly instead of fortnightly, as formerly.
A Mail will be despatched every *Friday* during the fair season.

NOW READY.

THE TRIAL AND DEPOSITION OF MULHAR RAO GAEKWAR OF BARODA.

Price to Subscribers, Rs. 2 per Copy; by Post, Rs. 2-4. Subscribers are requested to remit the Price of the Copies subscribed for on delivery of the Books, as it is inconvenient to make out bills for such small amounts. Price to Non-Subscribers, Rs. 3.

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PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPOSING THE GAEKWAR.

We have endeavoured, in compiling this Record, to make it as complete as possible; and with this object in view we have prefixed to the report of Mulharrao's Trial an Introduction giving a sketch of the history of Baroda from the conquest of the State by the Mahrattas under Peelajee Gaekwar down to the deposition of Mulharrao. In the Introduction is embodied the chapter of Mr. Aitchison's work (*Treaties, Engagements, and Sunnuds*, Vol. 6) describing the relations between the Gaekwars and the British Government from the accession of the dynasty founded by Peelajee down to the closing years of the reign of Khunderao.

We have also included in the publication the material portions of the Report of General Meade's Commission of 1873, which has not yet been published in India, although the recommendations of that Commission have been made the ground of the action taken by Her Majesty's Government in dethroning Mulharrao.

Our short-hand report of the proceedings before the Commission of 1875 is much more full than any that has appeared elsewhere; and the notes both of the evidence and of the speeches of counsel have been carefully revised.

The Reports of the Commissioners of 1875, the Resolution of the Government of India, and the several Proclamations issued by the Government of India with reference to the poisoning case, are all given in full; and we believe that the Record contains all the official documents necessary to illustrate the history of the Revolution recently accomplished at Baroda.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES, THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

MARRIAGE.

STEER—CHAPMAN—May 20th, at Soopool, North Bhatulpore, William C S. Steer, of Nawada, Tirhoot, son of the late Capt. Steer, Bengal Army, and nephew of the Hon'ble Chas. Steer, ex-Judge, High Court, Calcutta, to Theresa Solina, eldest daughter of George C. S. Chapman, Esq., of Purnea.h.

DEATHS.

CARLISLE—May 24th, at Allahabad, Eliza, beloved wife of Mr. C. H. Carlisle, Uncovenanted Government Civil Pensioner, aged 55 years, 2 months and 20 days.
DAWSON—May 5th, on board the s.s. Peshawur, half way between Galle and Aden, the Rev. Wm. Dawson, of the L. M. S. Vizianagram, aged 58 years.
SHAW—May 15th, at Mysore, Mr. Robert William Shaw, of the Mysore Public Works Department, aged 31 years and 8 months.

All MONEY ORDERS, CHEQUES, and other Remittances, sent to this office, should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

The Bombay Gazette.

SATURDAY, MAY 29, 1875.

THE Government of India has now redeemed its pledge of the 14th of January last, that it would re-establish a native administration at Baroda; and the inhabitants of the capital of that State have witnessed with apparent satisfaction the installation as Sovereign of a child adopted by the widow of the late Khunderao Gaekwar. There is nothing repugnant to native feeling in the selection of this boy to occupy the throne of the leading native State of Western India; for, obscure as the condition of his family has been for two or three generations, his lineal descent from the founder of the Gaekwar dynasty has been proved beyond question, and it is kinship in blood alone that is required to make an adoption valid. Outside the city of Baroda the population of the State have not during the last five months shown any sign of sympathy with Mulharrao; and their ready acquiescence in a revolution which should ensure to them the advantages of a regular and just government may be taken for granted. In the city there are still, probably, many adherents of the deposed tyrant who regret that their days of licence are at an end, and who would be glad, if they dared, to embarrass the new administration. But these gentlemen shot their last bolt when they attempted to proclaim Luxmeebaee's child as Gaekwar; and, now that the reins of power are held with firm hands by the representatives of the British Government, they will not have another chance of making mischief. Indeed, several of them have already found it convenient to leave Baroda for places where they are not likely to be quite so strictly looked after; and during the long minority of the young Prince Syajeerao the city will, we hope, be effectually purged of the presence of all the remaining courtiers and parasites of the ex-Gaekwar. The citizens generally do not regret Mulharrao, though they naturally disliked the prospect of an indefinite delay in the restoration of the native Raj, whose patronage is good for trade; and the new Gaekwar can count at the outset on the loyal and active support of the powerful party which was devoted to Khunderao and which has for the last four years been cruelly oppressed by Khunderao's brother. The new reign opens, therefore, under good auspices; and, before Syajee reaches the age when he can safely be entrusted with the administration of his dominions, it may be hoped that under prudent management the Raj will have been strengthened by a great increase in the resources of the Crown and a simultaneous development of the wealth and contentment of the people.

In order, however, to effect this double purpose it is necessary that whoever succeeds Sir Richard Meade as Governor General's Agent—for we presume that Sir Richard himself will not remain much longer at Baroda—should insist upon the introduction of those administrative reforms which have been talked of a good deal, but which are still, we believe, "in the clouds." The Government has exercised a wise discretion in putting a child on the *gadee*, for it will take years of hard and systematic work to regulate wisely the business of a State in which orderly government is a thing unknown. We must own that we have our doubts as to the prudence of putting this new Gaekwar—child though he be—on the throne without requiring Jumnabsee to give guarantees, in his name, for his future conduct as a ruler. But perhaps the intention is to make a compact with the Minister which Syajee will be called upon to declare himself bound by as soon as he comes to years of discretion. It will, at any rate, never do to let the new administration be quite unfettered by conditions. It may be well to give the management of affairs to natives, and Sir T. Madhava Rao is by general consent the best of native ministers; but it seems only the natural sequence of what we have already done that he should be told distinctly that he is expected to do certain things. The principal of these are:—(1.) To organize a complete account system within twelve months' time, and submit true monthly and annual accounts and a Budget for the information of Government. (2.) To make an equitable settlement of the cases of oppression and other grievances which General Meade's Commission brought to light. (3.) To prepare within a reasonable time definite codes for Revenue, Civil, and Criminal cases, and to make subordinates act on them. These codes need not be on the model of ours, and may be as suited to native customs as the Minister likes, but what is wanted is—*Rule* in place of caprice, favour, and corruption. (4.) To make in a reasonable time a settlement of the land and other revenue, and to guarantee it for (say) 20 years—which guarantee the Government will undertake to make the Gaekwar maintain when he grows up. (5.) To promote education and public improvements. These reforms are sufficient to engage Sir T. Madhava Rao's close and earnest attention for some time to come; but, unless the programme we have given be carried out, what permanent good will have been done to Baroda by the deposition of Mulharrao, and how will the British Government be able to flatter itself that it has fulfilled the onerous duty it accepted in becoming "morally responsible" for the just government of the Baroda State?

THERE are very few men in India, we believe, who do not agree in sentiment with what was written in the article on the Indian Army published by us on the 20th instant. Verily, the Native Army, indeed, has long been the scapegoat of incompetent and extravagant financiers! Lord Napier of Magdala notwithstanding, it is plain to every man of sense in the country that the Native Army, commanded and officered as it is, is a monstrosity, hugely expensive, dangerously useless. More than that, all men know how half-a-dozen officers of experience could and would, if they were ordered to do so, reorganise the force by an arrangement based on Colonel Chesney's recommendations, so as at any rate to secure a score of officers for each regiment, and so virtually, if not actually, replace the organization which was ruinously abandoned after the Mutiny. There is no want of plan or knowledge to compass this. That has been shown over and over again, perhaps best of all by Sir William Denison in the Minute which he wrote to Lord Canning warning him against the destruction of the regular system for the inanities of what was too truly irregular. The real difficulty to overcome is a tangle of corrupt tape—enveloping, concealing, complicating, suffocating simplicity and honesty—the two things most indispensably necessary for an extrication which will probably never be attempted, solely because responsible people cannot be simple.

The very first thing to do in order to such a general rehabilitation of the State as may give it an effective valuable Native Army is to get rid of the Covenanted Civil Service. Not because it is bad *per se*. But because the time for a Covenanted Service has gone by, and it stands obstructively in the way of reforms necessary to avert ruin from the Empire. By abandoning the Covenanted Service, and by arranging instead the service of the State by departments, a

SPECIAL TELEGRAMS FOR THE BOMBAY GAZETTE.

ADDITIONAL INSTALLATION CEREMONIES AT BARODA.

BARODA, 28TH MAY.

This morning the Gaekwar went to the temples in the City and offered thanksgivings. In the evening there was a grand Durbar at the Residency, at which Sir R. Meade, on behalf of the British Government, presented the Gaekwar with a dress of honour, an elephant and a horse. The Gaekwar and Sir R. Meade then proceeded to the parade ground, where the native troops and the European Artillery and Infantry marched past and saluted.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE OAKS.

The following is the result of the Oaks.

Spitmaway 1
Ladylove 2
Sister to Musket..... 3

THE ARCTIC EXPEDITION.

The Arctic Expedition will leave England to-morrow.

CAPTAIN BOYTON.

Captain Boyton has succeeded in crossing the Channel in his patent life-preserving apparatus.

PARIS, 27TH MAY.

The Committee of Thirty is engaged in examining the Constitutional Laws.

THE OUTWARD MAILS.

ADEN, 27TH MAY.

The s. s. Teheran, with outward Indian Mails, sailed for Bombay at 2-30 A. M. to day. The s. s. Indus, for Galle and Calcutta, sailed from here to-day at 9 A. M.

LONDON, 27TH MAY, APT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed with prices barely supported. Surats depressed.

Fair Dhollera 5¼.
Exchange on India ..... 1s. 9¾d.
4 per cent. Rupee Paper 93
4½ do do 94
5 do do 100
Money is in moderate demand.
3 per cent. Consols for account 94½
5 per cent. French Rente, 1872 103
Bar Silver 56½
Arrivals—Austria, Valkyrien, Wickliffe, Sutherland and Swind.
Departure for Bombay via Suez Canal—Cline.

WEATHER REPORTS.

CANNANORE, 28th May, 4-20 P.M.—Weather clear, wind N. W., Ther. 90.

CARWAR, 28th May, 5 P.M.—Weather fine, wind W. N. W. 3 to 4., Ther. 87, Bar. 29-97.

MANGALORE, 28th May, 4 4 P.M.—Weather fine, wind N. W., Ther max. 89, min. 82, W. B. 82, Bar. 29-78, 29-75.

TUTICORIN, 28th May, 5 P.M.—Weather fair, wind S.W. moderate, Ther. 96, Bar. 29 74.

VIZAGOOLA, 28th May, 5 P.M.—Weather clear wind S.W. moderate, Ther. 96

THE SULTAN OF ZANZIBAR.

THE Sultan of Zanzibar arrived at Aden on the 16th May in the s.s. Cashmere, and was visited during the course of the day by Rear-Admiral Cumming, C. B., and the Resident.

On the 17th the Sultan paid a return visit to the Resident, and was received at the landing pier with a guard of honor from the 2/25th R. O. B. The regimental color and band, commanding officers and heads of departments were present. A salute of 21 guns was fired from the battery.

The Sultan was taken by Captain Prideaux, First Assistant Resident, to see the town and fortifications, and re-embarked at 11 A.M. He sailed in the Canara for England at 5 P.M., and was saluted with 21 guns by the flag-ships Glasgow and Undaunted when steaming out of harbour. Dr. Kirk, H. B. M.'s Agent and Consul General, accompanies the Sultan to England.

H. M. S. GLASGOW, Undaunted, Daphne, Rifleman and Vulture were all at Aden up to the 19th instant.

YAKUB BEG, the Envoy from the Amir of Kashgar, who was in Calcutta not long ago, arrived at Constantinople on the 21st of April.

SALIM, Yeshwuntrao, and Nursoo, arrived in Bombay yesterday, under a guard, *en route* to Aden, Moulmein, and Rangoon respectively.

THE latest Aden news report, which extends from the 13th to the 19th of May, states that the Arab tribes destroyed portions of the telegraph wire between Hoodeida and Sanaa.

IT has been settled that the Camp of Exercise for the N. W. Provinces in the coming winter, will be held at Delhi. Major-Generals Hardinge and Macdonell will command divisions.

THE report in the *Delhi Gazette* that Mr. Melville, *alias* Shaik Abdul Rahman, was dead, is incorrect. He was seen alive and well at Deyra on the 19th instant, having recovered from his illness.

MR. CLEMENT SIMPSON, of Messrs. Binny and Co., and Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, has been appointed Sheriff of Madras for the residue of the current year, in place of Mr. Loch, gone home on leave.

THE *Madras Mail* learns that though the Marquis of Ripon has, by telegraph, announced the fact to a relative in Madras, the Secretary of State has not yet apprised the Madras Government of the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos having been appointed Governor of this Presidency.

COLONEL KEATINGE, with creditable foresight, has detected the danger to the tea enterprise by the difficulty in obtaining labour especially in the valley of the Brahmaputra, and is using his utmost efforts to avert it by the construction of a complete system of roads throughout the province of Assam to connect it with Bengal.

WITH reference to the paragraph from the *Times*, reporting the proceedings of the Bankruptcy Court in *re* F. F. Wyman, of London and Calcutta, the *Englishman* is informed by Messrs. Wyman and Co., of Calcutta, that they have received advices of later date to the effect that the London difficulties had been arranged, and that the business at Calcutta has not been affected, and will be carried on as usual. The liabilities were estimated at £24,433 and the assets at £30,000, the greater portion being in India.

SERJEANT BALLANTINE received notice of a "big" brief by telegram on his homeward journey. It appears that the return of Sir George Campbell, (late Lieutenant Governor of Bengal) for the Kirkcaldy district of Burgs is to be opposed by petition, and the Kirkcaldy agent of Mr. Harker, the defeated candidate, telegraphed to Lord-Advocate Gordon and Mr. Serjeant Ballantine with the view of retaining their services as counsel in the petition. The telegram to Mr. Serjeant Ballantine was sent in connection with the Peninsular and Oriental steam service, so as to intercept him on his way home from India.

THE Cotacamund paper indulges in sweet sarcasm, at least presumably so, in the following strain:—Ootacamund is reproached for not having even a "Corporal's guard" to attend the person of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief during his stay at the station. But His Excellency need's no special defence in a place which boasts of the entire absence of envy, malice, and spite. It reposes in that harmony and love so beautifully depicted by the hills around on a moon-lit night. If there was the slightest attempt to hurt even a hair of His Excellency, the assailant would be pierced through and through with the arrows of our fair archers, and buried under a heap of Badminton bats and balls.

THE *Indian Daily News* announces the death of Mr. G. S. Fagan, for many years Police Magistrate of Calcutta, and First Judge of the Small Cause Court, and adds that a gentleman who has just arrived from Suez states that when he arrived at Suez on the 7th instant, he saw a flag half-mast high; and on enquiry was informed that it was in consequence of the death of Mr. Fagan, a Judge of the Calcutta Court, which had just occurred. This sudden termination will be rather surprising to many of the deceased's friends, as previous accounts from him indicated that he had greatly benefitted by the voyage to Aden. Mr. Fagan's health had been failing for a long time; and it is to be feared that he held on too long without the rest that he greatly needed.

THE Huzoor Sheristadar of Calicut died suddenly a few days ago; it was at first supposed that the unfortunate man died of cholera, but the Magistrate had his suspicions about the case and proceeded to the house of the deceased, and at once, sealed and forwarded to Madras for examination some of the substance which had been vomited during his illness. The Chemical Examiner's report showed that nine grains of arsenic were in the portion sent for examination. The acting Collector then issued warrants for the arrest of the son and cook of the deceased, and Mr D'Cruz, the Inspector, made a minute search throughout the house of the late Sheristadar, which is a very large one having been originally one of the palaces of the Zamorin. After a long search, in an almirah, among some old manuscript books a large quantity of arsenic was found, which was at once taken possession of by the police. The accused have been remanded.

A ROMANTIC story appears in the *Japan Gazette* of a bold attempt to rob the branch of the Comptoir d'Escompte at Yokohama. It appears that Mr. W. S. Swaby, sub-accountant of the bank, M. Cantilii, cashier accountant of the bank, and a Mr. C. Adds, formerly manager of a billiard-room, had chartered a German barque, called the Iris, and suddenly left the harbour in her with a large quantity of dollars belonging to the bank on board. The steamer Sea Gull was chartered, so soon as the defalcations became known, to pursue the Iris, and soon overtook the barque near Kaneda Bay, but before boarding the vessel some shots were heard, and on getting on board Swaby was found nearly dead, and expired in two minutes, and Cantilli expired in about half an hour, both having shot themselves on seeing the uniforms of the police officers on board. Adds and the Captain of the Iris were arrested and taken to jail, and a large sum of money in Japanese gold coins and sovereigns recovered.

IN one respect, says the Calcutta *Statesman*, Lord Northbrook is a very lucky man. Although it was unfortunate for him that his dreams of economical finance were rudely broken in upon by the Bengal famine, and although a financial surprise may yet be in store for him owing to the political circumstances of Western India, he has certainly come out of the Baroda matter far better than might have been expected from the peculiar nature of the case. Balaam, it will be remembered, was more blind than his ass, and the curses he intended for the children of Israel were, by a power beyond his own control, converted into blessings. In this Baroda business, the English press represents Balaam most completely, and Lord Northbrook poses as the modern representative of the Israelites who were unwittingly and unwillingly blessed by the mercenary and short-sighted prophet. Almost with one accord, Lord Northbrook's friends and foes have heaped metaphorical curses on the Viceroy's devoted head for having done what was actually the work of the Home ministry, and for not having done that which he actually did do.

THE *Darjeeling News* hears from Patna that another of the miscreants who were guilty of the murder of defenceless and helpless Europeans during the mutiny has been tried at Champaran, and, notwithstanding the lapse of time, found guilty. The scoundrel in question was a subadar named Dalil Khan, in the 12th Cavalry stationed at Segauli, under the command of the late Major Holmes, and with a few others incited a portion of the regiment to mutiny. Major and Mrs. Holmes were out driving in the evening when this occurred, and Dalil Khan, with some five other troopers of his own stamp, mounted, followed, and foully murdered them. They cut the Major's head off, and threw the bodies into a ditch; and, on return to the station, Dalil Khan took command of the regiment, turned it out on parade, and exhibited the Major's head to the men. He then set fire to the Bungalow of Mr. Gardiner, the medical officer of the regiment, and murdered him, his wife, and one of his children. Another child, a girl, was saved by a jemadar of the regiment, who brought her to the Magistrate at Motinari. The regiment, with the exception of some seventy Kabuli and Punjabi troopers, who remained faithful, marched to Lucknow, and joined the rebels there.

MR. SWINBURNE is not often happy in his attacks on the critics; but the turn given to the concluding sentence of the following note to a paper on Shakspeare in the latest number of the *Fortnightly Review* strikes us as remarkably neat:—"It is not the least of Lord Macaulay's offences against art that he should have contributed the temporary weight of his authority to a crisis like the support of so ignorant and absurd a tradition of criticism as that which classes the great writer here mentioned (Congreve) with the dwarfish and filthy Wycherley—a classification only to be paralleled with that which in our own age has seen fit to couple together the names of Balzac and of Sue, and which might as rationally bracket the name of Mr. Tennyson with the name of the Poet Close. Any competent critic will always recognise in the *Way of the World* one of the glories, in the *Country Wife* one of the disgraces, of dramatic and of English literature. The stains discernible on the master-piece of Congreve are trivial and conventional; the mere conception of the other man's work displays a mind so prurient and leprous, uncovers such an unfathomable and unimaginable beastliness of imagination, that in any other age he would probably have figured as a virtuous journalist and professional rebuker of poetic vice or artistic aberration."

IT is reported that Mr. E. D. Sinclair has arrived in Lucknow, and has filed an application in the Judicial Commissioner's Court for an appeal to the Privy Council in his case against the late Major General Tombs, particulars of which case—false imprisonment, &c.,—must be in the recollection of our readers. The application has been entertained and the usual notice will be served on the opposite party, to wit, the Government of India, in due course. The present appeal is against the decision of the Judicial Commissioner who, a few months ago, reversed the judgment of the Commissioner of Lucknow, against which Mr. Sinclair had appealed on the ground that the Commissioner had reduced the amount of damages awarded by the Civil Court in the original suit from Rs 3,000 to the comparatively small and trifling sum of Rs. 500. The appeal to the Privy Council is based on the alleged fact that the Judicial Commissioner, in deciding upon Mr. Sinclair's appeal against the Commissioner's orders, omitted to take into consideration the main cause of action therein pointed out, and, therefore, decided on only a portion of the plaint. This interminable case has already, in all its various stages and complications up to now, cost the Government, we are informed, some eight or nine thousand rupees.

THE *Hongkong Daily Press* says:—"By the Macao steamer Poyang we have at last received some intelligence concerning the mail steamer Gwalior. It appears that the Gwalior had arrived within about 100 miles of Hongkong, when the cylinder cap of the engines gave way, causing an entire break-down of the machinery. It unfortunately happened at the time that the sluice-valves were open, consequently the water rushed in, and as there were no means of closing them, the engine-room speedily began to fill. All hopes of saving the vessel were given up, and the boats were got out without loss of time, there being some eighteen feet of water in the engine-room. As the vessel gradually sank until the sluice-valve got under water, the increased force of the water entering caused the valve to close. Every precaution had in the meantime been taken to close the sluice-valves in the water tight compartments at each end of the engine-room to prevent the water reaching the cargo. As soon as it was discovered that the sluice-valves were closed in the sides of the vessel, the holes were tightly filled with blankets and canvas, to prevent the valves re-opening. The boats were then taken on board again, the pumps set to work, and the ship was soon cleared of water. As the engines could no longer be used all available sail was set, but light winds and an adverse current caused the vessel to drift, and in this unsatisfactory state she continued until the 19th instant, when it was found she was off Hainan, two hundred miles west of Macao. To save her from drifting on shore, it was decided to bring up there. At daylight next morning, a boat was despatched to Macao in charge of the second officer to procure assistance. The boat arrived at Macao after having been five days at sea. Three days after leaving the vessel, the boat was attacked by two pirate junks. The crew, after the usual manner of Asiatics, carried all their money on their persons, and of this and of all their clothing, save what they were wearing, they were plundered. The officer in charge, of course, shared the same fate, and lost his clothes and navigating instruments. On the boat arriving at Macao, the agents there chartered the steamer Poyang to convey the intelligence to Hongkong, and send speedy assistance, as the Gwalior is lying in water infested with pirates. The Governor of Macao also, on learning the news, at once ordered the Portuguese gun-boat Tejo to immediately get up steam, and proceed to the locality to afford protection and render any assistance she could to the disabled vessel. On the receipt of the news here, Mr. McIver, the Superintendent of the P. & O. Company, gave instructions for the steamer Bombay to get ready instantly, and proceed to the assistance of the Gwalior."

A CORRESPONDENT at Tientsin sends to the *North China Daily News* the following account of the Chinese official who has been selected to investigate the murder of Mr. Margary:—"His Excellency Li Hung-chang, the Governor-General of this province and the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, has appointed a man called Sung Paou-hwa as the officer deputed, on the part of the Chinese Government, to proceed to Yunan. Sung Paou-hwa is a native of the Ningpo district, and was formerly in the employment of the Ningpo merchant Tae-kee (Yang-kee-tang) in his mercantile establishment of Shanghai and Ningpo, and can speak the jargon known as 'pidgin' English. When Li Hung-chang was formerly engaged in fighting against the Taeping rebels, and Tae-kee was likewise engaged in some fashion in aiding to put down the rebellion, his employe, Sung Paou-hwa became known to Li Hung Chang. Soon after Li Hung-Chang came to Tientsin in his position of Governor General of this province of Chihli, Sung Paou-hwa made his appearance here as an attache on his staff, and since then has been employed by Li Hung Chang in various subordinate capacities. He has latterly—for four or five months—been stationed at the village of Ko ku, situated on this river half-way from Taku in overseeing some Custom-house or other such like business. His name will not be found in the list of mandarins published in the Red Book, as he does not hold any territorial position. He has no literary rank, and does not belong to the official lower class. As to the button which a Chinese may wear in his hat, such, now a days, does not indicate his position as an officer in the Government service. I can only add further that we have known Sung Paou hwa for the last four years at Tientsin as an attache on the staff of the Governor-General of Chihli, without any territorial rank. I know not if the appointment of such a subordinate official as Sung Paou hwa will be deemed by the British Government as an ample share, on the side of the Central Chinese Government, in forming "a powerful Commission." I may ask the question, however, what influence is it likely that Sung Paou-hwa will have over the Chinese territorial authorities in the province of Yunan, when they become aware of the subordinate position which he fills at Tientsin, in carrying out a strict inquiry into such a crime as Mr. Margary's assassination? I will presume to give a reply, and that is that he will not be able, from his known subordinate position in the Government service, or rather the service of the Governor-General of Chihli, to effect what the British Envoy desires to know—namely, what share the Chinese functionaries in Yunan had in committing the murder, in order that all those connected with the perpetration of it shall be punished.

ANOTHER of the series of sermons at St. James's Church, Piccadilly, on "The Use and Abuse of the World," was preached on May 2nd by the Rev. F. Pigou, of St. Philip's, Westminster, whose topic was "Clubs." Taking his text from Acts xvii, 16 18, the preacher compared the state of modern London society to that of Athens when the Grecian capital was visited by St. Paul, and found by him in that condition of increased luxury which always follows enhanced wealth, and which is the prophesying monitor of national decay. Our fashionable clubs are, he pointed out, a reproduction in phase of Athenian life. It would not be fair to condemn clubs as altogether evil, and certainly they cannot be regarded as an unmixed good. They are a necessity of our social and political life, and their recent rapid increase has been spoken of as a curious epidemic. Besides affording ease and comfort, and other advantages, they help in some respects to raise the tone of life. For a man to belong to a club is a guarantee that he will not, outwardly at least, be guilty of anything inconsistent with the conduct of an English gentleman. For the bachelor a club is a home. Even the married man if his wife should turn out dull, unamiable, careless, and what the world calls nagging,—if she should prove a bad manager and no agreeable companion, there is a temptation for him to go from the frets and annoyances of home to the cheerfulness and the comforts of the club. When home proves to be the one spot on earth from their fellow turns there must be something radically wrong in married life. Marriage is the natural state for both men and women, but if parents will insist so much on the necessity of large incomes, and prefer that their daughters should study fashion and folly rather than make themselves good housewives, they should not be surprised if young men hold aloof from a state of life which entails so much anxiety and expense, and must not condemn as altogether selfish the wish to protect oneself from debt. Club life may be useful in preventing early and imprudent matrimonial engagements; but on the other hand, it often leads young men to be unsettled, and keeping with their means. The selfishness engendered among young bachelors is the great evil of club life, and even to husbands it is a temptation to neglect those home duties which a wife, whether dull or amiable, whether wise or foolish, has a right to expect from the man who married her. The gambling and excessive drinking permitted in too many of our clubs ought certainly to be discouraged, and, if possible, prevented by law. In conclusion, the preacher eloquently pleaded that the clubs should not persist in their profession of having no conscience and in resisting all claims of a charitable and religious character made upon their funds. The very existence of such clubs in a city like St. James's had become a necessity for charitable efforts, which, he regretted to say, the clubs had hitherto done nothing to assist.

Vanity Fair:—From the very reserved language of Mr. Disraeli on the 15th inst., we may conclude that the proposed visit of the Prince of Wales to India is to be re-considered, and, we hope, to be abandoned. Nothing can be more totally dissimilar than the travelling visits paid by the Prince of Wales during his minority, and by his Brothers since, to various British Colonies and to foreign countries. In the former they arrived only as members of the Royal Family, whom their colonial fellow-subjects were delighted to welcome; they had no official character or responsibilities, and they were thus enabled to obtain larger and more accurate knowledge of the world than would have been their lot if confined to the routine of their own country. When they visited fresh countries they did so as strangers, or at least as guests travelling for amusement or instruction; they did not exercise any influence for good or evil upon the people, or upon the relations between this country and other States. The position of the Prince of Wales, at his comparatively mature age, in the East Indies would be totally different. The heir of an Eastern monarch does not take the rank in his own country which the Prince of Wales occupies in this. The son of an Eastern prince is little known in his father's lifetime, unless he travels as a conspirator against him—a combination not unknown in India at the present time. The relations of the Prince of Wales with the Governor General must also give rise to speculation and embarrassment. He is not, says Mr. Disraeli, to visit India as the representative of her Majesty. Of course he is not. If he did, he would be fixed with the responsibility of every act of the Government. But in any other capacity he must display himself as inferior in rank to one who will hereafter be his subject. All these anomalies will be discussed by a population crammed by hundreds of millions, with whom etiquette is a science, an art, and a part of daily life. The visit, too, is proposed at a time when the Governor-General has made a more palpable blunder than any of his predecessors ever made. But while the Prince of Wales is not wanted in India, he cannot be well spared in England. The present Queen is the first Sovereign for three hundred years who has been on cordial terms with the heir to the throne. Far from being jealous of his influence, or wishing to confine him within the limits of a narrow education, she accorded him in his youth the advantage of foreign travel, and she now accepts his aid in the cares of royalty. Besides this, his wife has endeared herself to the hearts of his countrywomen. The Princess of Wales has identified herself with the country of her husband, and is one with him in blood, language, religion and manners. The absence of the first married couple in the country, and at present of the only married son of the Queen so fortunately situated, would leave a gap both political and social in England which could not be filled up.

BOMBAY.

FORT POLICE COURT.—Yesterday being a holiday Mr. C. P. Cooper, Senior Magistrate of Police, did not sit as usual.

THE SERAMER PALESTINE'S, port clearance which she had obtained on the 27th instant, was cancelled yesterday by the request of the agent.

TORTURE.—Ito Rama was yesterday fined Rs. 4 by Mr. Nana Morojee, for having wantonly tortured his bullocks, by driving them while in an unfit state.

THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.—To-day will be observed as a general holiday in honour of the anniversary of Her Majesty the Queen's birthday, which occurred on Monday, the 24th inst.

A JUVENILE THIEF.—Sowlia Sonoo, a boy about 9 years old, was yesterday charged, at the Girgaum Police Court, with having stolen a small quantity of wearing apparel, and was sentenced to receive four stripes.

AN ABSENTEE SEAMAN.—A seaman named James Kemp was yesterday sentenced to ten weeks' hard labour for having refused, "without reasonable excuse," to join his ship. The charge was preferred by Lieutenant Brebner before Mr. P. Ryan.

THEFT FROM A SHIP.—Kashim Fakeer Ahmed was yesterday charged with having stolen a quantity of soap, valued Rs. 4, from the s. s. Blenheim, and was on conviction, sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment, by Mr. P. Ryan, before whom the case was heard.

TRAMWAY POSTAL DELIVERY.—There is some talk of its being in the contemplation of the Postal authorities to effect a portion at least of the postal deliveries in Bombay by means of the tramway cars. Enquiries are being made as to how far the proposed arrangement would suit the public convenience.

THE BOMBAY MARINE.—A correspondent writing in condemnation of the letter by "Hard Up," published yesterday about the Bombay Marine, says:—"There is a right and correct channel through which he ("Hard Up") can steer and easily reach the source from whence redress can be obtained, provided his cause be a good one; and I can assure him from experience that he is not likely to keep himself afloat much longer if he is unnecessarily already, as he states, so hard up."

EMBEZZLING CARGO.—A seaman named Otto Nelson was yesterday charged, at the Fort Police Court, with having embezzled a quantity of soap, being part of the cargo of the s. s. Trinacria, and having pleaded guilty, was sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour, by Mr. P. Ryan, before whom the case was heard. A Mussulman named Ally Abdoola was charged with having received the property from the above prisoner, knowing it to be stolen, and having pleaded guilty, was sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment.

DEATH FROM A SNAKE-BITE.—A woman named Boodee, the wife of a cultivator, living at Matoonga, went out from her husband's house with the intention of going to a neighbour's house which was close to her own. On her way there she was bitten by a snake, just above the left thigh, the bite leaving three small red spots visible. She died at three o'clock, or about an hour after she had been bitten. An inquest was held yesterday, when a verdict was returned in accordance with the facts stated.

A MUNICIPAL CASE.—Hyder Ali Cassumjee was yesterday charged, at the instance of the municipal authorities, before Mr. Nana Morojee, at the Girgaum Police Court, with having neglected to have a certain drain, connected with his premises, cleansed as required by the Municipal Act. His Worship directed the defendant to pay a fine of Rs. 10, and to pay a penalty of Rs. 10 per day until such time as he shall have the drain cleansed to the satisfaction of the municipal inspector.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF of the Bombay Army will return to Gannesh Khind on the 7th June, from which date Head Quarters are to be established at Poona. Should the monsoon have broken at Mahableshwar by the 10th June, His Excellency the Governor of Bombay will, on that date, return to Poona. Already some of our officials are returning from the hills. Several have passed through Poona from the hill stations *en route* to stations beyond Poona, although there is not yet the slightest appearance to indicate the coming of the monsoon unless it be that the heat is intense, and the weather so trying that rain is earnestly desired by those who cannot leave the plains. —*Id.*

LAST NIGHT OF D'ARCY READ'S "GHOST."—To night the "Ghost" will appear for the last time. It will be seen by the advertisement that the attractions for this occasion are more than usually numerous, and among them the Parsee in search of his wife, which alone is enough to fill the pavilion. The public must patronize Mr. Read to-night and show by a crowded house that they duly appreciate the talent which has directed the very clever appearances of the "Ghost," and, moreover send Mr. Read away with his pockets full of rupees.

THE APOLLO BUNDER THEFT CASE.—The man William Bell, who was charged on Thursday last with having stolen a pair of boots from the Apollo Bunder Refreshment Rooms, was brought up before Mr. P. Ryan yesterday on remand. It appears that he went into the room and called for some liquor, which was refused, and he then when going out took the boots—an odd pair—one boot belonging to Mr. Minns and the other to Mr. Kerner. One of the officers of his ship, the s. s. Bavio, deposed to having seen the prisoner bring the boots on board. They were subsequently thrown over by some person at present unknown. The prisoner, on conviction, was sentenced to one month's rigorous imprisonment.

ASSAULTS.—Gunnoo Gopal, a coachman in the employment of Colonel Wallace, was yesterday brought up at the Girgaum Police Court, before Mr. Nana Morojee, at the instance of Gopal Lunnojee, a gardener employed by the same gentleman, who charged him with having assaulted him, by striking him on the head with a bamboo. It appears that some altercation having arisen between them as to their work, the defendant committed the alleged assault and struck the complainant a heavy blow on the head. His Worship fined the defendant Rs. 10, and directed Rs. 5 to be given to the complainant.—The seven gharawallas charged with having committed an aggravated assault on one of their fellow employees, they being servants of the Tramway Company, were brought up on remand yesterday before Mr. P. Ryan, who sentenced one of the prisoners to a fortnight's rigorous imprisonment five to a fine of Rs. 10 each, and discharged the remaining prisoners.

DANGEROUS CHARACTERS.—We are sorry to learn that there is a gang of men going about in the neighbourhood of Poona who are capable of committing any crime. They are well known to the Police and, we trust, will keep a good look out after them. There have lately been several cases of drugging with *datura* with the intent to commit theft, which are now being investigated by the magistrates. Gangs of dacoits are also in the neighbouring districts threatening to plunder the poor villagers. Major Portman and our energetic Collector have been adopting measures for their detection which we hope will be successful. The Police are assisted by a company of troopers belonging to the Poona Horse now stationed at Seroor.—*Deccan Herald.*

THE POONA REGATTA is to be a brilliant one this year. Entrance fees are to be charged and prizes are to be given on an extended scale as will be seen by the notice of it which we published. Mr. Joynes, the Honorary Secretary, is determined to push forward the interests of his Club, and hitherto he has been singularly successful. There are none of our amusements during the rains more popular than the Poona Annual Regatta, and we trust that the one for 1875 will be a genuine success. We hope the members of the Bombay, Madras and Calcutta Clubs will answer the challenge laid down by the Boat Club of this the capital of the Deccan The dyes now appointed for the Regatta are September 1st, 3rd and 6th.—*Id.*

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES AT OOTY.—*Arrivals*—The Hon. R. S. Ellis, C.B., the Hon. P. Macfadyen, Mrs. Macfadyen, Revd. Luke Rivington, Major J. O. Hasted, Dr. Innes, Mr. R. B. Elwin Mr. Beaufort, Mr. Mossman, Mr. Moore, Mr. Flood, Mr. Hodgson, Mr. Burnett, Mr. F. Lecot, Mr. J. Binny, Mr. R. Stanes, Mr. A. Wilkins Mr. Knox, Mr. Woods, Mr. R. B Mitchell, Mr. Dane, Mrs. Moore, Mr. S. Bates and Mr. Pringle. *Departures*—Major Barton, Mrs. W. F. Davis, Mr. H. Prinsep, Mrs. Kelly, Mr. W. C. Rohde, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Darling,

WE believe the Cotton Frauds Department will suspend all further operations in Sind on the 30th proximo, when the Cotton Frauds Act will cease to exist.—*Sindian, May 22.*

A COOLEY conveying materials from the bunder to the Mahsajuncha station of the Indus Valley (State) Railway fell from a waggon, the wheels of which passed over his leg, inflicting a serious wound. Mr. Keefer, who superintends the work of loading and unloading, was on the spot within a very short time of the accident, and had the man taken to his tent, where he dressed the wound, and did all he could to mitigate the suffering of the poor fellow. Mr. Keefer has been unremitting in his attentions to the man, whom he visits twice each day, dressing his wound and doing aught else necessary. Such humanity as that displayed by Mr. Keefer deserves to be prominently noticed. What renders it all the more noteworthy is the fact of Mr. Keefer using his own medicines, as there is no medical assistance to be had at the spot where the accident took place, the nearest hospital being about 10 miles off. The authorities should look to the medical and surgical requirements of their employees, for accidents are more than likely to occur at all times; besides which human flesh is heir to ills of some sort or another. There should, at least, be a medicine chest at each station, with surgical appliances. The doctor was, we understand, written to on the occurrence of the accident we have chronicled, but although three days had elapsed from the date the letter was despatched, no doctor had put in an appearance.—*Id.*

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MUNICIPAL DUTIES ON TOBACCO AND GRAIN.

THE following letter from the Chamber of Commerce is the reply of the Chamber to Mr. Pedder's letter on Municipal Taxation which was published on the 6th of February last:—

To R. JAMES, Esq., Acting Under-Secretary to Government, General Department, Bombay.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 293, dated 9th February last, enclosing—for any remarks which the Chamber may desire to make to accompany its letter to the Government of India on the subject of the Municipal Duties levied in Bombay on Tobacco and Grain—copy of a letter from the Municipal Commissioner of Bombay No. 602, dated 26th January last.

Two distinct representations have lately been made by the Chamber to the Government of India on the subject of Town Duties: The first was,—

(a) That the Town Duties in Bombay on Grain and Tobacco should be so modified as no longer to act as "transit" duties; and

(b) The Chamber took advantage of the opportunity to suggest that "the principle of taxing a primary necessary of life was wrong;" and that it would be a wise thing on the part of the Government to abolish such duties altogether.

In the first part of this representation—viz. (a) the Committee are glad to see that the Municipal Commissioner agrees entirely with the Chamber, the moreso, because it has not always been the case in Bombay that either the Municipality, the Municipal Commissioner, or the local Government could be brought to take this view of the matter.

The Committee have no doubt that the proposals made in paras. 47 and 48 of his letter, for so far changing the system of levying town duties in Bombay as to prevent town duties from operating as transit dues, if carried out, would, so far as they go, afford a great relief to trade, and would to a certain extent remove the present grounds for complaint. But there is still a wide difference both in practice and in principle between the greater facilities which the Municipal Commissioner is willing to afford for obtaining refunds of town duties and the total abolition of the town duties themselves we prayed for by the Chamber. The Committee are inclined to believe that with regard to the amount of town duty levied on Wheat actually consumed in the town the loss of revenue to the Municipality would be comparatively trifling if the town duty were abolished.

With regard to the second part the Municipal Commissioner says "he makes bold to demur to the doctrine that to tax a first necessary of life is wrong." The Committee have no intention, however, of following the Municipal Commissioner in his no doubt able and ingenious arguments, but will merely remark that the doctrine laid down by the Chamber has been accepted as an axiom by every English statesman for the last twenty years, and will no doubt have due weight given to it by the Government of India. The Committee direct me further to point out that the Municipal Commissioner himself admits that "it may be fairly argued that the poorer classes contribute more than in fair proportion (to the means as compared with other classes" to the Municipal revenues of Bombay.

The Municipal Commissioner's contention in paras. 15 and 16 that the middleman probably pays part of the tax on grain hardly requires serious notice as evidently he only half believes in it himself. It is much more likely that for every one per cent. the middleman has to pay to the Municipality he will charge the retail consumer two per cents.

If only remains then, with regard to the first representation of the Chamber to the Government of India, to notice one other point where the Municipal Commissioner seems to imply that the Chamber has been guilty of disrespect to the Bombay Government in not first of all going to them on the subject, and it is of importance that any such misquotation should be corrected. The Chamber has always been treated by the Bombay Government with much courtesy and consideration, and nothing could be further from its intention than to show any want of respect to the local Government in return. The reason that led the Chamber to go direct to the Government of India was of the most simple character. The Export Duty on Wheat was taken off on the direct representation of the Chamber to Lord Northbrook personally; and that the Chamber should continue to go to the same source for the removal of another form of exactly he same grivance seemed the shortest and the most natural course for it to take.

The suggestions of the Municipal Commissioner as regards the exemption of Metals and Timber from town duties may be thought slight and show by a somewhat of this letter, have the cordial approval of the Chamber, and will, it is hoped, be carried out on the earliest opportunity.

The Chamber, in making the proposal that all the present Municipal revenues from Tobacco and Liquors should be carried to the general revenues of the country, had not in view the financial state of the Bombay Municipality, as the Commissioner seems to suppose, and far less was it actuated by any wish to "confiscate" the Municipal revenues. The proposal came in merely as part of a large and important scheme for the reform of the general Customs and Excise revenues of the Empire which the Chamber thought it its duty to submit to the Government, and it is a subject for regret that such a scheme should, in any way interfere with the financial prosperity of the Bombay Municipality, the interests of which ought no doubt to be identical with those of the Bombay trading community. The Chamber, however, considered Tobacco and Liquors to be fit objects of Imperial taxation, and further believed that if such taxations were applied to them all over the country, a very large Imperial revenue might thereby be secured. As an illustration of what could be done, the Chamber pointed out that some Municipalities had already the system of taxing these articles and were drawing large revenues from them. If then this could be done in particular places it could be done throughout the whole land. The Chamber then met the strongest argument that could be brought against its proposals—viz. that it was proposing new strange and oppressive taxation—by showing that it would lead to much consistent and difficulty. If the people of Bombay and Lahore where these articles are subject to Municipal taxation have not found such taxation oppressive why should it be so for the people of any other Town or Talooka throughout India?

It would certainly be most unjust to take these taxes from the Bombay Municipality while they were taken from all other Municipalities in India which they are not at present. That Tobacco and Liquors are fit subjects for Imperial taxation, and that they are such in almost every civilized country in the world, the Municipal Commissioner himself will, the Committee think, be ready to admit. His contention seems rather that the Government have (so far as Bombay is concerned) already given them up for an equivalent. But, if this is true, it is no way affects the proposals of the Chamber. These proposals were general and not local, and it is for the Government to say whether, by the special financial relations of the Government with particular Municipalities. The Committee would even venture humbly to suggest that if the local Government levied Octroi duties on their property, and were to contribute their fair share to the cost of the Police, as in other Presidency Towns, it would be a better way of settling the matter than by the "rough and ready" method of giving up sources of revenue that properly belong to the State, and by directly counteracting the wise and liberal policy of the Imperial Government, as enunciated in the Resolution on Municipal Taxation, dated 11th November 1868, and which was again displayed by the recent abolition of the Export Customs Duty on Wheat.

The Committee of the Chamber would, in conclusion, once more remark that their whole argument cannot be more concisely and distinctly stated than in the exact words of the above Resolution—"*It is to little purpose that the Imperial Government reduces or abolishes Customs Duties in the interests of trade, if Municipalities are permitted to levy duties on articles of commerce passing through their limits.*" In defining the principles on which town duties should be levied the Government of India laid down that these imposts ought to be confined to a few articles of consumption such as ghee, firewood, fruit, vegetables and animals for slaughter; and further that no duty should be levied by any Municipal body on articles liable to Customs duty and imported into India by sea, without the previous sanction of the Government of India. Since the passing, however, of the Bombay District Municipal Act of 1873, taxes are imposed, for local purposes, by nearly every Municipality in this Presidency on metals, piecegoods, twist, silk, woollens, grain, hides, indigo, seeds, and many other commodities which are subject to Imperial Customs duties, and which enter in the general trade of the country. Trade is hindered and its development checked by these exactions; and the greatest injury may be inflicted on the commerce of the country by a system which allows these Municipalities—the entire powers of which are vested in Government officials and nominees—the power to impose, without limit, any taxes, tolls, or other imposts, the approval of the Governor in Council being all that is required. In Bombay, town duties are limited by the Act both in respect of the rates and of the articles on which they may be imposed, but as the owners of property are, from the constitution of the Municipality, the interest most largely represented in the Municipal Corporation, it is natural for that body, to overlook the real injury that is being inflicted on important general interests by the imposition of town duties and of taxes that operate as transit dues, and to make others bear the burden of taxation which should properly fall upon themselves.—I have, &c.

J. GORDON, Secretary.
A. A. FORBES, Chairman,
Chamber of Commerce, Bombay, 15th May 1875.

DIVINE SERVICE.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

PUBLIC SERVICES will be held at the following places during the coming week

EUROPEAN AND OTHER EXTRACTS

THE NEW ARMY OF FRANCE.

(Fraser's Magazine for May.)

As we look back at the course of French history, we see how true was the remark of Burke—'States, like seas, have their ebbs and flows, and this especially holds good of France.' No nation in Europe of the first rank has suffered so many and great calamities; but none hitherto has so triumphed over misfortune, and so quickly advanced after trials which seemed, for the moment, crushing. How short a period divides the France of Agincourt from that of Louis XI.; how soon did the power which, at the Peace of Vervins, seemed almost blotted out, shine forth in the splendour of the day of Richelieu; how rapidly were 1793 and 1799 succeeded by the Treaties of Amiens and Lunéville! Yet of all the recoveries made by France in her chequered annals, the most speedy and surprising, perhaps, is that which is now going on before us after the fatal war of 1870-1. Four years ago it was generally thought that German invaders would remain encamped on French territory for an indefinite time, and that the conquered State would succumb beneath the enormous burdens imposed upon it; and the frantic excesses and crimes of the Commune seemed but the precursors of a long era of disorder and weakness for an afflicted people. But within a few months the soil of France was liberated from her amazed foes; the indemnity that appeared overwhelming was paid; and if Lorraine and Alsace are gone, and the rule of MacMahon is a mere makeshift, France has given most extraordinary proof of her inherent strength and abundant resources. Yet even these signs of restored vigour are less striking than the resuscitation of the military power of the country, which, notwithstanding appalling reverses, unparalleled, perhaps, in authentic history, is being steadily and surely accomplished. At this moment the French army is very far from a contemptible force; it will soon be more powerful in every respect than it was before the outbreak of the war; and though it could not as yet cope in the field, on equal terms, with the German hosts, it would almost certainly even now, in the event of a struggle, escape defeats like those of Metz and Sedan. What, however, in this matter deserves attention is the military strength of France in the future, when it shall have attained its intended proportions, not as it exists at the present time, almost on the morrow of frightful disasters.

One of the first labours of the National Assembly after the disastrous Peace of 1871, was the reorganisation of the national forces; and a committee of distinguished general officers have for many months been engaged in the task of restoring the power of France for war, and completely recasting her military system. Independently of what they have already done, the results of what they intend to accomplish appear in two very able Reports on 'the recruiting and organisation of the French army;' and it is to these we must look if we desire to know what, before very many years shall have passed, will be the military resources of France, their extent, character, and probable value. Judging from the facts and figures the Committee adduce, the plans they propose appear feasible. No doubt can exist that, in the present temper of the nation, ample means will be found for carrying out their designs to the full; and, should their projects be passed, nearly half a century must elapse before become again one of the most formidable of the Powers of Europe. In fact, this scheme of military organisation will make her forces more vast and imposing, more ready for war and better prepared, than they have been at any preceding time; and probably even now her late exulting conquerous think unessily of the tale of Simnium and Rome, when they mark how the State which they believed to be crushed, is rapidly overcoming the effects of a defeat more ruinous than that of the pass of Caudium.

The Reports we have mentioned naturally keep the forces of Germany ever in view, and dwell at length on the various causes of the collapse of France in 1870-1. The issue of events was in an unusual degree due to strategy, and also greatly affected by influence not strictly military. The swift and fearful defeats of the French must be mainly attributed to the indecision of Napoleon III., to the wavering of Bazaine and the weakness of Frossard, and, generally, to the interference of politics with war. The memorable campaign of 1814 entitle us to say that had the First Napoleon commanded the ill-fated army of the Rhine, he would at least have kept the Germans at bay for months, and probably gained more than one victory. It is untrue to ascribe the results to the inherent superiority of the German soldier, or to the degeneracy of the French as a race. We are not so far from Auerstadt and Jena as to be misled by such shallow judgments; and the troops which, at Gravelotte and Woerth, fought for hours against twofold and threefold odds, and long held the balance of fate in suspense, were not unworthy of those of Austerlitz. The main military causes of the success of the Germans were an immense preponderance of force on their side, and an excellence of organisation which made their armies much better prepared than those of their foes, and sent them into the field much sooner; and these advantages were so decisive that no efforts of military skill and valour could perhaps have prevented their final triumph. It is necessary to bear this clearly in mind, if we wish thoroughly to comprehend the project of the military system of France. The standing army, even of united Germany, was not much more numerous than that of the French; and, notwithstanding all that has been said, it was not without the defects that belong to an army chiefly composed of young troops. But the principle of general military service gave the Germans an enormous trained reserve made up wholly of good soldiers; the system of organisation for war, by which the German armies are ever in a state of immediate readiness for the field, and are 'mobilised' with extraordinary speed, assured Von Moltke's success at the outset; and as France had very little to oppose to the momentum which was thus attained, her ultimate defeat was all but certain. On the other hand, the standing army of France was, in many respects, a magnificent force; but as its supports were feeble and bad, and a time comparatively long was needed to bring it wholly together, and to make it fit for active operations, it was, from the first moment, utterly overmatched by its antagonist.

The causes of these shortcomings must be distinctly noted, for to remove them is the principal object of the proposed plan of French Army Reform. In the first place, France had abandoned for years the principle of general military service, of which she had set the example to Europe; whole classes had, in different ways, exempted themselves from the Conscription Laws; and thus even her standing army was not adequate to her lofty pretensions. In the second place, a very large proportion of the recruits which the conscription yielded were never mustered or trained at all, and the result was that the French army had nothing like a real reserve, the Garde Mobile, decreased in 1862 to supply this want, being in 1870, a paper fiction. And, thirdly, and most important of all, the French army was in time of peace a mere collection of military elements, dispersed over all parts of the country; it was not concentrated in prepared groups, ready, at a moment's notice, to move and fight; and accordingly, its 'mobilisation' was slow, and weeks were required to place it in line. As before mentioned, the consequence was that, in numbers, power and real efficiency, it was not to be compared with its mighty foe; and these Reports hit the exact truth when they say 'we were beaten for want of preparation, organisation, and direction, and by the weakness of our effective rather than by the arms of our enemies.'

The objects of the intended reform are, as we have said, to remedy these defects; and it is evident it is meant that the new army of France shall rival the German hosts in strength, and shall be at least as good an instrument of war. To obtain these ends the whole system of French military organisation is to be changed, and a new system is to be framed in its stead, in part fashioned on the German model, but in part essentially French in its character. We shall first glance at the leading principles on which the projected scheme is based, and which, if carried out, must ultimately, we repeat, and perhaps ere long, make the resources of France for war prodigious. In order to assure the French army an ..ople and constant supply of recruits, and gradually to expand it to the full strength which it is to possess in the course of time, the law of general military service—the conscription, in a word—of the first Republic is to be restored in its fullest vigour; all permanent exemptions are to be abolished; and, subject only to dispensations of a temporary kind and strictly determined, every Frenchman capable of bearing arms, is to be liable to serve in the ranks, for periods deemed sufficient to make the national forces of adequate power.

The elements of an enormous military array will, by such means, be fully secured; and care is taken that these shall form the component parts of a finished product, not rude and almost worthless material. For this purpose the liability to serve is to be real in all case. Every Frenchman who is enrolled as a soldier is to join the army for a specified time, depending on certain and fixed rules; and all those who have left the ranks are to be held in readiness to return to them during the whole time of their prescribed service. In this way two of the worst vices of the old French system are to be got rid of; the whole mass of the forces of France will be composed in the main of trained men, and an immense reserve will be formed by degrees made up of troops nearly all efficient. Finally, the methods are to be definitively given up by which the French army was marshalled for war; it is no longer to have its elements scattered, and therefore slowly collected and moved; it is to be kept together in organised units, at all times prepared for speedy action, and capable of being quickly enlarged to their fullest strength; and its whole mechanism is to be so contrived that celerity of 'mobilisation' and readiness for the field shall be a certain and easy result.

Let us now see how these leading principles are to be embodied in actual facts. The rule of general military service, the conscription without lasting exemptions, will give France every year a contingent of about 150,000 young men, without counting the 'dispensed with' class, liable to be called out on important occasions. Every man enrolled in each yearly contingent will be obliged to serve for twelve months at least, omitting certain exceptions made in favour of aptitude and education; and a large number, to be selected by lot, will have to serve a much longer time, in order to supply the special arms—artillery, engineers, and cavalry—which require a long of professional training. The yearly contingents, so distributed, will be liable to serve for five years, in the first main Divisions of the Armies of France; and though the period of actual service for great part of the men will, as a rule, be shorter, they will be all held ready to join the ranks at a summons from the Minister at War. When the term of five years shall have passed, each contingent will fall into the first reserve; and here every man will again be liable to serve a further period of four years, and to be recalled to the army at a moment's notice. After an actual or potential service, for the two terms of five and four years, each contingent will be drafted in turn to the second reserve of the national forces; and it will be held to service for five and six years—that is, during eleven years—in the two divisions of what is meant to be the best great support of the French army. Each contingent will thus, in different ways, be subject to serve for twenty years; and, consequently, at the end of that full period, the forces of France raised by conscription, will amount to the immense aggregate of twenty contingents of 150,000 men each, all, or nearly so, trained and effective soldiers—with deductions, of course, for deaths and casualties—and even in ten years they will be formidable in no mean degree. The age of service, it should be added, will be from 20 to 40; and thus the flower of the youth and manhood of France will be all enrolled in the national ranks.

This immense mass of military forces will not, however, represent the whole of the power and resources of France for war. In addition to the conscription levies, she will have a 'permanent army' of 120,000 men, composed of 'officers, staff, administrative corps, gendermes, veteran and re-engaged soldiers;' and besides these, of the 'foreign auxiliaries,' the legion *étrangers*, and similar bodies, who have often added to the renown of her arms. This permanent army, we need not say, will be an extremely valuable force; it will largely contain the most precious and important elements of military strength; it will be animated by a high professional feeling; and it will give consistency and force to the arrays of contingents. Taken altogether, the forces of France after making allowance for all losses and non-effectives of various kinds, would ultimately, under the intended scheme, reach the enormous total of 2,500,000 men, according to calculations by no means sanguine; and far the greater part of this warlike multitude would, we repeat, be expert soldiers, not worthless recruits, or 'cannon-food' on paper. Let us now consider how it is proposed to combine and generally distribute this colossal whole, the most formidable organisation for war which has ever been designed by a vanquished nation. The permanent army and the first nine contingents—that is, those of five and four years' service—would, it is believed, yield without difficulty about 1,350,000 men; and these are to form the active army, composed of a first line and a first reserve. The active army is, in time of peace, to have a strength of 480,000 only—men present with the colours and in the ranks; for a considerable portion of each contingent, though liable to serve would be sent on furlough when it should have been sufficiently drilled; but, on a declaration of war, it would quickly expand into a force of 780,000 men, by calling in at once the mass of the trained contingents belonging to the first line and the first reserve, these contingents being eight, it should be observed, in number; for the ninth contingent, that of the existing year, would, it might be assumed, be, as a rule, unformed. The 780,000 men would thus immediately form an imposing army, made up, without exception, of excellent troops; but as it would be only the first front of war which France would possess the means to present. Over and above the 780,000 men, the eight trained contingents would in a short time be able to yield nearly 300,000 more; to these should be added the ninth contingent, about 150,000 strong, and the 'dispensed with' class, which it is supposed would reach 141,000 men; and thus a second army, which, though composed of raw levies—the untrained ninth contingent and the 'dispensed with' class—would be from 500,000 to 600,000 in numbers, would stand in the rear of the first army, and afford it a very powerful support. Nor even these the limits of the forces which, in the event of a protracted struggle, France would be able to place in the field. The eleven last contingents, that is, those of the later five and six years service; are, as we have seen, to form a second great reserve; and this array, which it is supposed would amount to 1,000,000, or 1,200,000 men, is to constitute the territorial army, the supplement of its active associate. This force is to be arranged into two main parts, the first more ready to move than the second. Its duties, speaking generally, would be to protect and defend the territory of France, to garrison fortresses, hold strong points, and set the active army free for field operations; but it would join that army, and fight in co-operate with it in the shock of battle, and it is to be linked with it in the closest manner. It is superfluous to add that it is intended to provide the most complete material and equipment of all kinds for these immense arrays, which, we say it again, when fully developed, amount to 2,500,000 men, real soldiers by far the greater number of them. In all these arrangements an imitation of the German system manifestly appears, but there are some very marked differences.

We have next to see how the huge masses of the new forces of France are to be organised, that is, marshalled into separate units in times of peace and of war. The distribution of the armed force of the State into individual *corps d'armee*, that is, into vast bodies, each an independent army in itself, was a French invention of the age of Napoleon; and it contributed in a certain measure to the wonderful success of that great commander. But under the French system, up to and after the late war, the corps were formed only when the war broke out; its component parts in peace were in a state of dispersion, and the troops and *materiel* were not brought together till the summons to the field went forth. The results were want of cohesion, mistakes, and delays; and the French *corps d'armee*, compared with their foes in the trial of 1870-1, showed various defects of hasty formation and of imperfect arrangement in many particulars, and were besides, but slowly equipped and arrayed. All this is now to be thoroughly changed; and the organisation of the reformed French army is, in the main, to follow the German model, though, as we have said, with peculiarities of its own.

The *corps d'armee*, like the German army corps, is naturally to remain the principal unit of the active military force of the State; but, in peace and war alike, it is ever to be a regularly formed and connected army; its men and other appliances are to be kept together in certain proportions on a peace footing, and its reserves are to be close at hand, and it is to be developed to its full war strength, and to be 'mobilised' and sent into the field, as soon as hostilities shall be declared, in a way we shall hereafter notice. The chiefs of the several *corps d'armee* are to be almost absolute in their own commands; each is to have supreme and universal power in the management and direction of his own corps, in controlling the officers and training the men; and each will be responsible in all respects for the condition of the body entrusted to him. By these means the important objects of indentifying generals closely with their commands, of making them masters of their various duties and answerable for every default and shortcoming will, it is believed, be greatly furthered; each chief it is said will 'have France the opportunity of winning honour or disgrace;' and the result, it is hoped, will be to strengthen and more firmly compact the military machine. It should be added that, to prevent decentralisation from going too far, and to detect incapacity in the commanders of corps, the Minister of War is still to possess a general superintending control and a staff of inspectors to report to him on the state of the different *corps d'armee* and of all the other forces of the State.

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The French project seeks to attain the excellencies of the German system, and yet to avoid its supposed defects. Several of the provisions we have already mentioned—the formation of separate *corps d'armee*, with the retention of cohesion, esprit de corps, and localising the powers of the commanders of corps—would tend to quickness in 'mobilisation;' but more is required to solve the problem. The object of the French is to secure the rapidity and precision of their late foes, but to have their army free from what is thought to be the dangers of the provincial scheme; and the means they propose are very ingenious. For this purpose the entire reserves of the active and territorial armies are to be held in readiness, throughout the country, to join the colours on a summons to the field; they are to assemble in fractions at many points, and to be mustered there without further delay; and the reserve required for the landing service is to be at once despatched to the corps nearest at hand, and has soon as possible to be embodied in it. In the same way the supplies needed for the army, when on a war footing, are to be distributed in a number of strict magazines, distributed in many parts of France; and on a declaration of war they are to be directed to the *corps d' armee* in the immediate neighbourhood, and thenceforward to belong to it. By these means reserve men and *materiel* ought to be concentrated, in short a time as is possible under the local system; by throwing them, so to speak, into a common fund, and allotting them the nearest organised mass, delay presumably would be avoided; and celerity and answerable for every default and shortcoming will, it is believed, be greatly furthered; each chief it is said will 'before France have the opportunity of winning honour or disgrace;' and the result, it is hoped, will be to strengthen and more firmly compact the military machine. It should be added that, to prevent decentralisation from going too far, and to detect incapacity in the commanders of corps, the Minister of War is still to possess a general superintending control and a staff of inspectors to report to him on the state of the different *corps d'armee* and of all the other forces of the State.

With respect to the administration of the army, a great change also is to be effected. Here again the commander of each *corps d'armee* is to be its administrator of the highest grade; the War Office is not, as heretofore, to be answerable for supplies and stores; the providing of what is needed for troops is not to be delegated to its officials, often at cross-purposes with military leaders and independent of them in a perilous degree; and a general in chief is, at once, to order what his corps may require, in peace and war, and to be responsible for the orders he gives. The execution, however, of these directions is properly to be committed to subordinates—the commissariat and kindred services, and for this they are to be held accountable. This arrangement would, probably, greatly improve the administration of the French army—a point in which it has often failed.

We have now to examine the all important subject of the 'mobiliation' of the forces of France,—the mode by which they are to be placed in line, in the event of a declaration of war. The successes of Prussia in 1866 and 1870 are largely due to her skill in solving this problem; and many of the reforms we have already noticed have had this end in view for the French army. The scheme before us proposes to adopt German principles to a certain extent, but with modifications of extreme importance, which it is supposed, will be great improvements. 'Mobilisation' in France, under the old system, was difficult and, comparatively speaking, slow. Not only, as we have seen, were *corps d'armee* fashioned out of scattered and distant elements, not only were regiments, brigade, and divisions not kept together in time for peace; but the method by which an army was raised to its war strength and sent into the field, was faulty and cumbrous in many respects. The extreme centralisation, which was the result of the ubiquitous power of the War Office, threw on the Minister of War almost the whole task of mobilising and arranging *corps d'armee*; a single official and his subordinates had to despatch orders over the whole country, and to manage nearly everything from a bureau in Paris; and mistakes, disorder, and long delays were frequently the disastrous consequence. Again, centralisation caused the impediments and supplies not in actual use to be aggregated in a few great establishments; guns, carriages, and stores were heaped in masses in the capital, at Lyons, and one or two other centres; and the charge of unlocsing this immense *materiel*, and distributing it among a variety of corps, was a complicated and a tedious process. Finally, as there was no organization of corps in peace, so the reserves of corps for war were dispersed everywhere the reserve men of a corps to be formed at Lyons might be drawn from Brittany, Provence, and Champagne; and there was this additional source of confusion, that reserve men before joining their regiments were first obliged to go to the regimental depots, perhaps at a great distance from the regimental stations, this again occasioning loss of time and trouble. The general result was, to quote Napoleon III., that the 'armed force of France, under this faulty system, resembled a magnificent machine, the parts of which were kept so detached and distinct that weeks were required to put them together before it could be made fit to work;' and the evil effects were conspicuously seen in the disastrous campaign of 1870-1. In that campaign less than 200,000 Frenchmen out of a standing army of nearly 400,000 were marshalled for war within the period in which more than 350,000 Germans, of a somewhat more powerful standing army, were placed in line on the Lauter and the Saar, and the enormous reserves were, besides, arrayed to which France had so little to oppose.

How the German system of 'mobilisation' was so much more effective than that of France must be known generally to our readers. Not only are the army corps of Germany kept together in peace on a peace footing; but the whole organisation of the German forces has celerity of 'mobilisation' ever in view. With the exception of the Royal Guard of Prussia, all the army corps of the German armies are essentially local and fixed units, raised, recruited, officered, and commanded on the spot; and they are permanently stationed in the several provinces in which they have, so to speak, their domicile. There is but little centralisation under such a system; each corps forms a distinct group, kept in readiness for the field, and with its requirements at hand; and on a declaration of war it finds its *material*, its stores, and its reserves within easy reach, and it quickly expands to its full war strength. By these means the delays and confusion of the old French system are largely avoided; the German corps, to quote again Napoleon III., each resembles 'a completed military machine which a few touches can set at once a going;' and celerity of mobilisation' is the natura lresult. Notwithstanding, however, this great advantage, the organisation of the German forces is not free from very serious defects in the opinion of many competent judges. It is doubtful whether the local system could bear the strain of a heavy reverse and if an army corps from a separate province were to suffer considerable losses, it might be difficult to recruit it from its proper centre, while other provinces could not well contribute. Again, the system of provincial corps might make them of very unequal value; and conceivably—though this did not appear in the national struggle of 1870-1—the men of the Rhine-land and of Bavaria might fight very differently in certain quarrels from the Brandenburghers or the Saxon contingent